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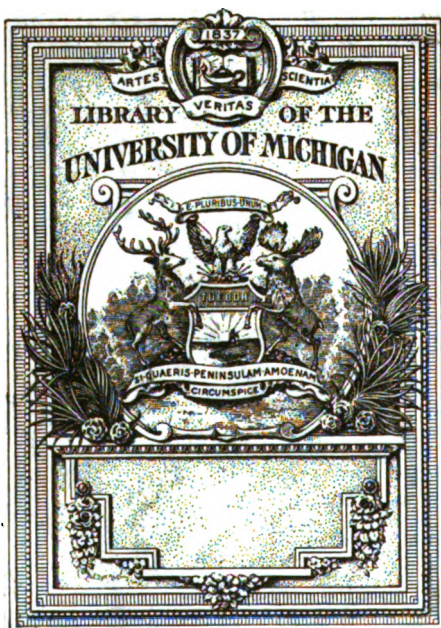
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## JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.

At a General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, begun and holden at Boston on the first Wednesday, being the sixth day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, and the one hundred and sixteenth of the independence of the United States of America, the following-named members-elect of the Senate, having been duly summoned by the Executive, appeared, to wit:—

Hon. Messrs. Arthur B. Champlin of Chelsea, . . .	. . .	. . .	in the First	} Suffolk Districts.
John Reade of Boston, . . .	. . .	. . .	Second	
John W. Covehey of Cambridge, . . .	. . .	. . .	Third	
Patrick J. Kennedy of Boston, . . .	. . .	. . .	Fourth	
Henry Parkman of Boston, . . .	. . .	. . .	Fifth	
William S. McNary of Boston, . . .	. . .	. . .	Sixth	
Michael J. McEtrick of Boston, . . .	. . .	. . .	Seventh	
William H. Carberry of Boston, . . .	. . .	. . .	Eighth	
and William H. West of Boston, . . .	. . .	. . .	Ninth	
Hon. Messrs. Charles H. Baker of Lynn, . . .	. . .	. . .	in the First	} Essex Districts.
William E. Meade of Salem, . . .	. . .	. . .	Second	
Luther Dame of Newbury, . . .	. . .	. . .	Third	
Edward P. Shaw of Newburyport, . . .	. . .	. . .	Fourth	
B. Frank Southwick of Peabody, . . .	. . .	. . .	Fifth	
and Richard A. Carter of Lawrence, . . .	. . .	. . .	Sixth	
Hon. Messrs. Francis H. Raymond of Somerville, . . .	. . .	. . .	in the First	} Middlesex Districts.
Gorham D. Gilman of Newton, . . .	. . .	. . .	Second	
John Read of Cambridge, . . .	. . .	. . .	Third	
James W. McDonald of Marlborough, . . .	. . .	. . .	Fourth	
Edwin F. Wyer of Woburn, . . .	. . .	. . .	Fifth	
B. Marvin Fernald of Melrose, . . .	. . .	. . .	Sixth	
and John E. Drury of Lowell, . . .	. . .	. . .	Seventh	
Hon. Messrs. George K. Nichols of Grafton, . . .	. . .	. . .	in the Second	} Worcester District.
Eben S. Stevens of Dudley, . . .	. . .	. . .	Third	
and Alfred S. Pinkerton of Worcester, . . .	. . .	. . .	Fourth	
Hon. Sidney P. Smith of Athol, . . .	. . .	in the Worcester and Hampshire District.		
Hon. Messrs. Christopher C. Merritt of Springfield, . . .	. . .	. . .	in the First	} Hampden Districts.
and William Provin of Westfield, . . .	. . .	. . .	Second	
Hon. Wilder P. Clark of Winchendon, . . .	. . .	. . .	in the Franklin District.	
Hon. Stephen A. Hickox of Williamstown, . . .	. . .	. . .	in the Berkshire District.	
Hon. Henry A. Kimball of Northampton, in the Berkshire and Hampshire District.				
Hon. Messrs. William N. Eaton of Quincy, . . .	. . .	. . .	in the First	} Norfolk Districts.
and William F. Ray of Franklin, . . .	. . .	. . .	Second	

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Hon. Messrs. Francis P. Arnold of Pembroke, . . . . .	in the First	} <i>Plymouth Districts.</i>
and Isaac N. Nutter of East Bridgewater, . . . . .	Second	
Hon. Messrs. Edward Mott of Taunton, . . . . .	in the First	} <i>Bristol Districts.</i>
Robert Howard of Fall River, . . . . .	Second	
and William M. Butler of New Bedford, . . . . .	Third	
Hon. John Simpkins of Yarmouth, . . . . .	in the	<i>Cape District.</i>

And were called to order at eleven o'clock A.M. by the Hon. Robert Howard of the Second Bristol District, the eldest senior member-elect.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Gilman, —

**Quorum.** *Ordered,* That a committee of three be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor and the Council, and inform them that a quorum of the Senate is assembled and ready to be qualified.

And Messrs. Gilman, Carberry and Southwick were appointed said committee.

Subsequently, Mr. Gilman, from the above-named committee, reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them, and that the Governor was pleased to say that he, with the Council, would attend forthwith upon the Senate for the purpose of administering the required oaths of office to the members-elect thereof.

**Qualification of Senators.**

Soon after, His Excellency the Governor, with His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, the Council and the Secretary of the Commonwealth, came in, and the Senators-elect severally took and subscribed the oaths of office required by the Constitution and a law of the United States, to qualify them for the discharge of their duties as Senators for the current political year.

The Governor, the Lieutenant-Governor, the Council and the Secretary of the Commonwealth thereupon withdrew.

**President.** On motion of Mr. Raymond, —

*Ordered,* That a committee of three be appointed to receive, assort and count the votes for a President of the Senate.

Messrs. Raymond, Stevens and Simpkins were appointed said committee.

And the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, Mr. Raymond, from the committee, reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes, . . . . .	38
Necessary for a choice, . . . . .	20
Alfred S. Pinkerton had . . . . .	38

And Mr. Pinkerton having been declared elected, was conducted to the chair by Messrs. Southwick and McNary, and addressed the Senate as follows : —

SENATORS : — For this expression of your confidence I thank you. Appreciating the honor of being chosen to preside over your deliberations, I assume the obligations of the Chair with a desire to discharge its varied and delicate functions with fidelity and absolute impartiality.

I know I shall require your kindness and forbearance, as I trust I may ever receive your co-operation and support.

Animated by the love of a Commonwealth which has called us to its service, desirous of rendering unto it the best fruits of our labor, forgetting all party divisions in the desire to promote its welfare, we meet in the dawn of a new year to legislate for the people of Massachusetts, a State within whose borders, for more than a century past, has convened an annual and General Court for the redress of grievances and the framing of new laws.

To these assemblies all the people have a right of petition and appeal ; here the varied demands of the citizen are to be presented and heard.

While the suffering have reason to expect the needed relief, while the changing requirements of the hour necessitate a broader scope of legislative enactment and control, and the people do, and should, require legislation as speedy and wise as circumstances will permit, we, in turn, have a right to expect that petitions and memorials shall be presented within such a reasonable time as may be fixed by rule, in order that the subject-matter may be properly considered and the length of our session confined within reasonable limits.

The General Court of Massachusetts is one of the few legislative assemblies that determines every question submitted to it.

The system consumes time ; and while our citizens might, perhaps wisely, object, were a plan adopted curtailing their present privilege of being heard on every subject pending before you, none can rightfully complain if a failure, on their part, to comply with reasonable requirements, necessitates a postponement of their plans. Circumstances may occasionally require a suspension of the rule, but it should not be done as the reward of carelessness or designed delay.

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To those who have been members of preceding legislatures and are familiar with the number of varied and important matters awaiting consideration, the necessity of an early advancement of them need not be told.

The length of a session is largely determined during the first month.

If committees will promptly hear matters referred to them, and, as speedily as is consistent with their proper consideration, report the result of their deliberations, much will have been gained; and while in past years committees have been diligent, I invite your consideration of this subject in order that even greater diligence may be achieved by you.

Conscious that each of us is desirous of securing the just approbation of his constituency, of serving Massachusetts well, realizing the importance of the position to which you have called me, yet relying on your courtesy, I await the pleasure of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. McDonald, —

Clerk. —

*Ordered*, That a committee of three be appointed to receive, assort and count the votes for a Clerk of the Senate.

Messrs. McDonald, Dame and Arnold were appointed said committee.

And the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, Mr. McDonald, from the committee, reported as follows : —

Whole number of votes, . . . . .	39
Necessary for a choice, . . . . .	20
Henry D. Coolidge of Concord had . . . . .	39

And Mr. Coolidge was declared elected, and was qualified by taking the following oath : —

Whereas, you, Henry D. Coolidge, are chosen Clerk of the Senate of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you do swear that you will truly enter all the votes and orders thereof, and in all things relating to your office that you will act faithfully and impartially, according to your best skill and judgment. So help you God.

On motion of Mr. Smith, —

Organization  
of the Senate.

*Ordered*, That a committee of three be appointed to inform His Excellency the Governor and the Council of the organization of the Senate.

Messrs. Smith, Kimball and Hickox were appointed said committee.



On motion of Mr. Howard, —

*Ordered*, That a committee of three be appointed to inform the House of Representatives of the organization of the Senate. Organization of the Senate.

Messrs. Howard, McEttrick and Butler were appointed said committee.

*Member Qualified.*

Mr. John R. Thayer of Worcester, Senator-elect from the first Worcester District, being present and ready to be qualified, Messrs. Fernald and Kennedy were appointed a committee to conduct him to the Governor and Council. Subsequently, Mr. Fernald, of the committee, reported that Mr. Thayer had, in the presence of the Governor and Council, taken and subscribed the required oaths of office. John R. Thayer qualified as a member.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

*Ordered*, That the rules of the Senate of last year be observed until otherwise ordered. Senate rules.

On motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, —

*Ordered*, That the Senate proceed forthwith to the election of a Sergeant-at-Arms. Sergeant-at-Arms.

Messrs. Reade, Clark and Ray were appointed a committee to collect, assort and count the votes therefor; and the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, Mr. Reade, from the committee, reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes, . . . . .	40
Necessary for a choice, . . . . .	21
John G. B. Adams of Lynn had . . . . .	39
James K. Churchill of Worcester had . . . . .	1

And Mr. Adams was declared elected on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, —

*Ordered*, That the Senate proceed forthwith to the election of a Chaplain of the Senate.

Messrs. Gilman, Baker and Read of Middlesex were appointed a committee to collect, assort and count the votes therefor; and the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, Mr. Gilman, from the committee, reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes, . . . . .	38
Necessary for a choice, . . . . .	20
Rev. Edmund Dowse of Sherborn had . . . . .	38

And Mr. Dowse was declared elected.

Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Carter, —

*Ordered*, That the Clerk be directed to notify the Reverend Edmund Dowse of his election as Chaplain of the Senate.

Organization of the House.

Notice was received from the House of Representatives, by a committee thereof, of the organization of that branch by the choice of the Hon. William E. Barrett of Melrose as Speaker, and Mr. Edward A. McLaughlin of Boston as Clerk.

Sergeant-at-Arms.

On motion of Mr. Coveney, —

*Ordered*, That a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor and the Council informing them of the election, on the part of the Senate, of John G. B. Adams of Lynn as Sergeant-at-Arms for the current political year.

Mr. Coveney was charged with the message.

Id.

On motion of Mr. McNary, —

*Ordered*, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, informing it of the election, on the part of the Senate, of John G. B. Adams of Lynn as Sergeant-at-Arms for the current political year.

Mr. McNary was charged with the message.

Id.

Notice was received from the House of Representatives, by a committee thereof, of the election, on its part, of John G. B. Adams of Lynn as Sergeant-at-Arms.

Senate rules.

On motion of Mr. Smith, —

*Ordered*, That a special committee, to consist of the President and four members of the Senate, be appointed to prepare rules for the government of the Senate during the present session.

Messrs. Smith, Thayer, Parkman and McNary were appointed said committee.

Joint rules.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, —

*Ordered*, That the joint rules of the two branches of last year be observed until others are adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Id.

On motion of Mr. Smith, —

*Ordered*, That a joint special committee, to consist of the President and four members of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches.

And Messrs. Smith, Thayer, Parkman and McNary were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up, adopted, in concurrence ; and the Speaker and Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park, Tucker of New Bedford, Mellen of Worcester, Charles of Boston, Gillett of Springfield, Bennett of Everett, Durant of Cambridge and Heald of Pepperell were joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Mott, —

*Ordered*, That the clerks of the two branches give notice to John G. B. Adams that he has been elected by the two branches of the General Court Sergeant-at-Arms for the current political year. Sergeant-at-Arms.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth appeared at the bar of the Senate and presented the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of Accounts and Attorney-General ; Returns of votes for Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, etc.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Champlin, —

*Ordered*, That the returns of votes for Governor, <sup>Id.</sup> Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of Accounts and Attorney-General be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of three members of the Senate and such as the House may join.

Messrs. Champlin, Drury and Meade were appointed said committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up, adopted, in concurrence ; and Messrs. Horton of Attleborough, Woodsum of Braintree, Roe of Worcester, Dennis of Salem, Battles of Brockton, Hall of Woburn, Ross of New Bedford, and Ruggles of Franklin were joined on the part of the House.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth presented the returns of votes for Councillors in the several councillor districts of the Commonwealth ;

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Eaton, —

*Ordered*, That the returns of votes for Councillors in the several councillor districts of the Commonwealth be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of two members of the Senate and such as the House may join. Returns of votes for Councillors.

Messrs. Eaton and Shaw were appointed said committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up, adopted, in concurrence; and Messrs. Olmstead of Boston, Danforth of Lynnfield, Blanchard of Boston, Meyer of Boston, O'Neil of Chicopee, Smith of Gloucester, Hart of Lawrence and Casey of Boston were joined on the part of the House.

Returns of votes  
for Senators.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth also presented the returns of votes for Senators in the several senatorial districts of the Commonwealth;

Id.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. West, —

*Ordered*, That the returns of votes for Senators in the several senatorial districts of the Commonwealth be referred to a special committee to consist of three members of the Senate.

Messrs. West, Provin and Nutter were appointed said committee.

Seats of mem-  
bers.

On motion of Mr. Howard, —

*Ordered*, That a committee of three be appointed to arrange the seats of the members of the Senate.

Messrs. Howard, Wyer and Simpkins were appointed said committee.

Newspapers.

On motion of Mr. Kennedy, —

*Ordered*, That the clerk be directed to furnish daily newspapers, not exceeding twelve in number, to be kept under his direction for the use of the Senate.

Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, —

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M., and that that be the hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, at six minutes past one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

THURSDAY, January 7, 1892.

Met according to adjournment. Prayer was offered by the Reverend George S. Ball of Upton, a member of the House of Representatives.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Clark, —

*Ordered*, That the daily reading of the journal be dispensed with until otherwise ordered. Journal of the Senate.

*Assistant Clerk.*

A communication from the clerk, announcing his appointment of Mr. William H. Sanger of Boston as assistant clerk of the Senate for the current political year, was read and placed on file. Assistant clerk.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of printing a bulletin of committee hearings. Bulletin of committee hearings.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Carberry, —

*Ordered*, That the Clerk be authorized to begin the printing of the journal of the Senate, that one thousand copies of the same be printed, and that a certified copy thereof be deposited with the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the journal of the Senate. Journal of the Senate.

*Report of a Committee.*

Mr. Champlin, from the joint special committee, submitted a report on the returns of votes for Governor, Governor, Lieutenant-Governor and other State officers.

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Lieutenant-Governor, and other State officers as follows :—

*For Governor.*

WILLIAM E. RUSSELL of Cambridge has .	157,982 votes.
CHARLES H. ALLEN of Lowell has .	151,515 “
CHARLES E. KIMBALL of Lynn has .	8,968 “
HENRY WINN of Malden has .	1,749 “
HARRY W. ROBINSON of Boston has .	1,429 “
All others, . . . . .	7 “

And WILLIAM E. RUSSELL is elected.

*For Lieutenant-Governor.*

WILLIAM H. HAILE of Springfield has .	157,216 votes.
JOHN W. CORCORAN of Clinton has .	145,865 “
AUGUSTUS R. SMITH of Lee has .	9,346 “
WILLIAM J. SHIELDS of Boston has .	2,399 “
GEORGE R. PEARE of Lynn has .	1,471 “
All others, . . . . .	4 “

And WILLIAM H. HAILE is elected.

*For Secretary.*

WILLIAM M. OLIN of Boston has .	153,586 votes.
ELBRIDGE CUSHMAN of Lakeville has .	138,202 “
ALFRED W. RICHARDSON of Springfield has .	10,890 “
JOSEPH D. CADLE of Westfield has .	3,729 “
EDWARD W. THEINERT of Holyoke has .	1,607 “
All others, . . . . .	6 “

And WILLIAM M. OLIN is elected.

*For Treasurer and Receiver-General.*

GEORGE A. MARDEN of Lowell has .	152,915 votes.
JAMES S. GRINNELL of Greenfield has .	138,760 “
SAMUEL B. SHAPLEIGH of Boston has .	10,454 “
THOMAS A. WATSON of Braintree has .	2,851 “
CHARLES FRIEDE of Boston has .	2,220 “
All others, . . . . .	3 “

And GEORGE A. MARDEN is elected.

*For Auditor.*

JOHN W. KIMBALL of Fitchburg has .	150,697 votes.
WILLIAM D. T. TREFFRY of Marblehead has .	137,928 “
WILLIAM O. ARMSTRONG of Boston has .	11,707 “

WILLIAM O. WAKEFIELD of Lynn has . . .	2,859 votes.
SQUIRE E. PUTNEY of Somerville has . . .	2,525 “
All others, . . . . .	3 “

And JOHN W. KIMBALL is elected.

*For Attorney-General.*

ALBERT E. PILLSBURY of Boston has . . .	151,182 votes.
GEORGE M. STEARNS of Chicopee has . . .	138,865 “
WOLCOTT HAMLIN of Amherst has . . .	10,590 “
HERBERT MCINTOSH of Worcester has . . .	3,387 “
JAMES WALDOCK of Boston has . . .	1,539 “
All others, . . . . .	3 “

And ALBERT E. PILLSBURY is elected.

On motion of Mr. Champlin, the rule was suspended, and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence, and returned by the House accepted, in concurrence.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Southwick, —

*Ordered,* That a committee be appointed, to be joined, to inform the Hon. William E. Russell that he has been elected, in the manner prescribed by the Constitution, Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will be ready to attend upon him in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the Constitution and a law of the United States, to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, at such hour as may suit his convenience; also to inform the Hon. William H. Haile that he has been duly elected Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will attend upon him in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the Constitution, to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, when agreeable to him; and Messrs. Southwick, Provin and McDonald were appointed said committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up, adopted, in concurrence, and Messrs. Charles of Boston, Pratt of Lowell, Carter of Wakefield, Anderson of Cambridge, Parker of Boston, Wellman of Malden, Smith of Gloucester and Burbank of Pittsfield, were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. Southwick, from the committee, afterwards reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them, that the

Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect had signified their acceptance of their respective offices, and that they would be ready to be qualified at 12 o'clock M.

Convention of  
the two  
branches.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. West, —

*Ordered*, That a convention of the two Houses be held forthwith, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect.

Sent down for concurrence, and subsequently returned by the House adopted, in concurrence.

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Pursuant to assignment, for the purpose above specified, the two branches met in

#### CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, —

Id.

*Ordered*, That a committee be appointed, to consist of three members of the Senate and eight members of the House, to wait upon the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect, and inform them that the two branches are now in convention, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office required by the Constitution and a law of the United States, to qualify them for the discharge of the duties of their respective offices; and Messrs. Thayer, Raymond and Parkman, of the Senate, and Messrs. Perkins of Somerville, Moriarty of Worcester, Loud of Chelsea, Rosnosky of Boston, Jackson of Swampscott, Burnham of Boston, Rockwell of Fitchburg and Dodge of Natick, of the House, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Thayer, from the committee, afterwards reported that the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect would immediately attend upon the convention.

The Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect then entered the hall, accompanied by the Council and by various civil and military officers of the Commonwealth.

In the presence of the two Houses, and before the President of the Senate, the oaths and affirmations of office were then administered to and subscribed by the Hon. William E. Russell as Governor, and the Hon. William H. Haile as Lieutenant-Governor, and proclamation thereof was made by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Governor's  
Address.

His Excellency the Governor thereupon submitted an



address upon the general concerns of the Commonwealth; after which he and the Lieutenant-Governor withdrew, the convention was dissolved, the two branches separated and the Senate returned to its chamber.

*Report of a Committee.*

Mr. Eaton, from the joint special committee to whom Councillors.  
was referred the returns of votes for Councillors in the several councillor districts of the Commonwealth, submitted a report thereon, as follows:—

It appears by said returns that the following-named gentlemen have been elected in their respective districts, to wit:—

- DISTRICT No. 1. — ISAAC N. KEITH of Bourne.
- “ “ 2. — EDWIN V. MITCHELL of Medfield.
- “ “ 3. — EPHRAIM STEARNS of Waltham.
- “ “ 4. — JAMES DONOVAN of Boston.
- “ “ 5. — MOSES HOW of Haverhill.
- “ “ 6. — CHARLES F. LORING of Melrose.
- “ “ 7. — GEORGE F. MORSE of Leominster.
- “ “ 8. — ELISHA MORGAN of Springfield.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, the rule was suspended, and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence, and returned by the House accepted, in concurrence.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, —

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give <sup>1a.</sup> notice to Messrs. Isaac N. Keith, Edwin V. Mitchell, Ephraim Stearns, James Donovan, Moses How, Charles F. Loring, George F. Morse and Elisha Morgan that they have been duly elected Councillors to advise the Governor in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

Sent down for concurrence; came up, adopted in concurrence.

Subsequently, a communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, announcing that Councillors-elect Isaac N. Keith, Edwin V. Mitchell, Ephraim Stearns, James Donovan, Moses How, George F. Morse and Elisha Morgan had signified their acceptance of the trust, and were ready to be qualified; and that Mr. Charles F. Loring was absent on account of illness; and the same was read and sent down to the House.

Convention of  
the two  
branches.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Arnold, —

*Ordered*, That a convention of the two Houses be held forthwith for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to such Councillors-elect as may have signified their acceptance of the office.

Sent down for concurrence, and subsequently returned by the House adopted, in concurrence.

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And, pursuant to assignment, for the purpose above specified, the two branches met in

#### CONVENTION.

Id.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, —

*Ordered*, That a committee be appointed, to consist of three members of the Senate and eight members of the House, to wait upon the Councillors-elect and inform them that the two branches are now in convention for the purpose of administering to them the oaths of office.

Messrs. Fernald, Drury and Smith, of the Senate, and Messrs. Clough of Worcester, Richmond of Freetown, Chance of Boston, Galloupe of Beverly, Lyford of Springfield, Holmes of Chelsea, Proctor of Somerville and Dacey of Boston, of the House, were appointed said committee.

Messrs. Isaac N. Keith, Edwin V. Mitchell, Ephraim Stearns, James Donovan, Moses How, George F. Morse and Elisha Morgan then came in, and, in the presence of the two Houses and before the President of the Senate, severally took and subscribed the required oaths of office.

The Councillors then withdrew; and

The convention was dissolved and the Senate reassembled in the Senate chamber.

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#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence: —

Councillors.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to His Excellency the Governor that Messrs. Isaac N. Keith, Edwin V. Mitchell, Ephraim Stearns, James Donovan, Moses How, George F. Morse and Elisha Morgan have been duly elected and qualified as Council-

lors, to advise him in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

*Ordered*, That the joint special committee on Rules consider what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's address.

Governor's  
Address, dis-  
position of.

### *Report of a Committee.*

Mr. West, from the special committee to whom was referred the returns of votes for Senators in the several senatorial districts of the Commonwealth, submitted a report thereon, that the following-named persons appeared to be elected in their respective districts, to wit:—

Senators, re-  
turns of votes  
for.

Hon. Messrs. Arthur B. Champlin of Chelsea, . . .	in the First	} <i>Suffolk</i> <i>Districts.</i>
John Reade of Boston, . . .	Second	
John W. Coveney of Cambridge, . . .	Third	
Patrick J. Kennedy of Boston, . . .	Fourth	
Henry Parkman of Boston, . . .	Fifth	
William S. McNary of Boston, . . .	Sixth	
Michael J. McEtrick of Boston, . . .	Seventh	
William H. Carberry of Boston, . . .	Eighth	
and William H. West of Boston, . . .	Ninth	
Hon. Messrs. Charles H. Baker of Lynn, . . .	in the First	} <i>Essex</i> <i>Districts.</i>
William E. Meade of Salem, . . .	Second	
Luther Dame of Newbury, . . .	Third	
Edward P. Shaw of Newburyport, . . .	Fourth	
B. Frank Southwick of Peabody, . . .	Fifth	
and Richard A. Carter of Lawrence, . . .	Sixth	
Hon. Messrs. Francis H. Raymond of Somerville, . . .	in the First	} <i>Middlesex</i> <i>Districts.</i>
Gorham D. Gilman of Newton, . . .	Second	
John Read of Cambridge, . . .	Third	
James W. McDonald of Marlborough, . . .	Fourth	
Edwin F. Wyer of Woburn, . . .	Fifth	
B. Marvin Fernald of Melrose, . . .	Sixth	
and John E. Drury of Lowell, . . .	Seventh	
Hon. Messrs. John R. Thayer of Worcester, . . .	in the First	} <i>Worcester</i> <i>Districts.</i>
George K. Nichols of Grafton, . . .	Second	
Eben S. Stevens of Dudley, . . .	Third	
and Alfred S. Pinkerton of Worcester, . . .	Fourth	
Hon. Sidney P. Smith of Athol, . . .	in the	<i>Worcester and Hampshire District.</i>
Hon. Messrs. Christopher C. Merritt of Springfield, . . .	in the First	} <i>Hampden</i> <i>Districts.</i>
and William Provin of Westfield, . . .	Second	
Hon. Wilder P. Clark of Winchendon, . . .	in the	<i>Franklin District.</i>
Hon. Stephen A. Hickox of Williamstown, . . .	in the	<i>Berkshire District.</i>
Hon. Henry A. Kimball of Northampton, in the		<i>Berkshire and Hampshire District.</i>
Hon. Messrs. William N. Eaton of Quincy, . . .	in the First	} <i>Norfolk</i> <i>Districts.</i>
and William F. Ray of Franklin, . . .	Second	
Hon. Messrs. Francis P. Arnold of Pembroke, . . .	in the First	} <i>Plymouth</i> <i>Districts.</i>
and Isaac N. Nutter of East Bridgewater, . . .	Second	
Hon. Messrs. Edward Mott of Taunton, . . .	in the First	} <i>Bristol</i> <i>Districts.</i>
Robert Howard of Fall River, . . .	Second	
and William M. Butler of New Bedford, . . .	Third	
Hon. John Simpkins of Yarmouth, . . .	in the	<i>Cape District.</i>

On motion of Mr. West, the rule was suspended and the report was accepted.

*Orders Adopted.*

Secretary,  
Treasurer,  
Auditor and  
Attorney-Gen-  
eral.

On motion of Mr. Coveney, —

*Ordered*, That the clerks of the two branches give notice to the Hon. William M. Olin of Boston that he has been elected Secretary of the Commonwealth; to the Hon. George A. Marden of Lowell that he has been elected Treasurer and Receiver-General; to the Hon. John W. Kimball of Fitchburg that he has been elected Auditor of Accounts; and to the Hon. Albert E. Pillsbury of Boston that he has been elected Attorney-General, — severally to hold office for one year from the third Wednesday in January instant.

Sent down for concurrence; came up, adopted, in concurrence.

Adjournment  
over Saturday.

On motion of Mr. Hickox, —

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns on Friday of each week it adjourn to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M., and that that be the daily hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Butler, —

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns to-day it adjourn to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at eight minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, January 11, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Dr. Strong of Newton.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Parkman, from the joint special committee, Senate, rules of. who were instructed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches, in part, recommending that Joint Rule No. 1 be amended as follows: After the words "A committee on Education," insert the words "A committee on Election Laws;" also strike out the words "A committee on Election Laws" before the words "A committee on Federal Relations."

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Parkman.

By Mr. Parkman, from the joint special committee on Governor's address, disposition of the several portions of. Rules, who were instructed to consider what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's Address, recommending that the same be referred as follows:—

So much thereof as relates to increased executive responsibility, to a joint special committee on "Administrative Boards and Commissions," to consist of three members of the Senate, and eight members of the House.

So much thereof as relates to executive boards and officers, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to the Board of Agriculture, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to a department for roads, bridges and drainage, to the joint committee on Roads and Bridges.

So much thereof as relates to returning the control of the police of the city of Boston to said city, to the joint committee on Cities.

Governor's address, disposition of the several portions of.

So much thereof as relates to creating a special board for the granting of licenses in the city of Boston, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to the superintendent of prisons, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to the Topographical Survey Commission, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to the Board of Supervisors of Statistics, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to Building Commissions, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to clerical assistance, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to deficiencies in appropriations, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

So much thereof as relates to suffrage, to the joint committee on Election Laws.

So much thereof as relates to election and ballot laws, to the joint committee on Election Laws.

So much thereof as relates to the lobby, to the joint committee on Rules.

So much thereof as relates to the passage of general instead of special laws, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

So much thereof as relates to the passage of a general law for the incorporation and government of cities, to the joint committee on Cities.

So much thereof as relates to the granting of free passes to members of the Legislature, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

So much thereof as relates to a change in the system of land transfer, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

So much thereof as relates to the reduction of the hours of labor of women and children, to the joint committee on Labor.

So much thereof as relates to the amendment of the Employers' Liability Act, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

So much thereof as relates to the further protection of railroad employees, to the joint committee on Railroads.

So much thereof as relates to the imposition of fines on weavers, to the joint committee on Labor.

So much thereof as relates to the so-called "sweating system," to the joint committee on Labor.

So much thereof as relates to industrial education and manual training in public schools and the employment of children in manufacturing establishments, to the joint committee on Education.

So much thereof as relates to taxation for expenditure for the public schools, to the joint committee on Taxation.

So much thereof as relates to the World's Columbian Exposition, to the joint committee on Federal Relations.

So much thereof as relates to rapid transit, to a joint special committee consisting of four members of the Senate and eleven members of the House.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Parkman.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

By Mr. Howard, from the special committee appointed to arrange the seats of members, recommending the following Seats, arrangement of.

*Arrangement of Seats.*

RIGHT.

1. Hon. WILLIAM M. BUTLER.
2. Hon. JOHN READ.
3. Hon. EDWARD P. SHAW.
4. Hon. WILLIAM H. CARBERRY.
5. Hon. JOHN READE.
6. Hon. HENRY A. KIMBALL.
7. Hon. JOHN W. COVENEY.
8. Hon. PATRICK J. KENNEDY.
9. Hon. RICHARD A. CARTER.
10. Hon. JOHN E. DRURY.
11. Hon. WILLIAM PROVIN.
12. Hon. CHRISTOPHER C. MERRITT.
13. Hon. EBEN S. STEVENS.
14. Hon. WILLIAM F. RAY.
15. Hon. WILLIAM E. MEADE.
16. Hon. FRANCIS P. ARNOLD.
17. Hon. EDWARD MOTT.
18. Hon. STEPHEN A. HICKOX.
19. Hon. MICHAEL J. McETRICK.
20. Hon. JOHN R. THAYER.

LEFT.

1. Hon. ROBERT HOWARD.
2. Hon. B. MARVIN FERNALD.
3. Hon. HENRY PARKMAN.
4. Hon. WILLIAM S. McNARY.
5. Hon. JAMES W. McDONALD.
6. Hon. WILLIAM N. EATON.
7. Hon. SIDNEY P. SMITH.
8. Hon. JOHN SIMPKINS.
9. Hon. FRANCIS H. RAYMOND.
10. Hon. B. FRANK SOUTHWICK.
11. Hon. ARTHUR B. CHAMPLIN.
12. Hon. ISAAC N. NUTTER.
13. Hon. WILLIAM H. WEST.
14. Hon. WILDER P. CLARK.
15. Hon. EDWIN F. WYER.
16. Hon. LUTHER DAME.
17. Hon. GEORGE K. NICHOLS.
18. Hon. CHARLES H. BAKER.
19. Hon. GORHAM D. GILMAN.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Howard.

## COMMITTEES.

The President announced the following committees :

*Standing Committees of the Senate.*

Standing committees of the Senate.

*On the Judiciary.* — Messrs. Fernald of Middlesex, Thayer of Worcester, Smith of Worcester and Hampshire, McDonald of Middlesex and Butler of Bristol.

*On Probate and Insolvency.* — Messrs. McDonald of Middlesex, Smith of Worcester and Hampshire, and Fernald of Middlesex.

*On the Treasury.* — Messrs. Southwick of Essex, Clark of Franklin and Stevens of Worcester.

*On Bills in the Third Reading.* — Messrs. Simpkins of the Cape, Thayer of Worcester and Fernald of Middlesex.

*On Engrossed Bills.* — Messrs. Carberry of Suffolk, Dame of Essex and Merritt of Hampden.

*On Rules.* — The President and Messrs. Smith of Worcester and Hampshire, Thayer of Worcester, Parkman of Suffolk and McNary of Suffolk.

*Joint Standing Committees.*

Joint standing committees.

*On Agriculture.* — Messrs. Hickox of Berkshire, Arnold of Plymouth and Merritt of Hampden, *of the Senate.*

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Gillett of Heath, Crane of Taunton, Andrews of Essex, Smith of Hampden, Adams of Springfield, Buck of Stockbridge, Woodward of Franklin and Gallup of Clarksburg, *of the House,* were joined.

*On Banks and Banking.* — Messrs. Nutter of Plymouth, Carberry of Suffolk and Shaw of Essex, *of the Senate.*

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Howard of Newton, Read of Pittsfield, Perkins of Boston, Clayton of Cambridge, Hyde of Ware, Cutler of Framingham, Sawyer of Haverhill and Lowe of Saugus, *of the House,* were joined.

*On Cities.* — Messrs. Parkman of Suffolk, McNary of Suffolk and Meade of Essex, *of the Senate.*

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Presho of Boston, Clough of Worcester, Rosnosky of Boston, Perkins of Somerville, Appleton of Peabody, Lyford of Springfield, Meyer of Boston and McEvoy of Lowell, *of the House,* were joined.



*On Constitutional Amendments.* — Messrs. Ray of Norfolk, McDonald of Middlesex and Champlin of Suffolk, of *the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Tucker of New Bedford, Rugg of Grafton, Sparhawk of Marblehead, Lanigan of Boston, Whitcomb of Boxborough, Hevey of Woburn, Driscoll of Springfield and Mahoney of Boston, of *the House*, were joined.

*On Drainage.* — Messrs. Clark of Franklin, Drury of Middlesex and Eaton of Norfolk, of *the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Lane of Gloucester, Low of Brockton, Fiske of Ashland, Hale of Tyringham, Dodge of Natick, Dole of Newburyport, Breen of Boston and Quinn of Boston, of *the House*, were joined.

*On Education.* — Messrs. Stevens of Worcester, Read of Middlesex and Nutter of Plymouth, of *the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Parkhurst of Clinton, Gardner of Nantucket, Ball of Upton, St. John of Haverhill, Roe of Worcester, Mooney of Boston, Howard of West Bridgewater and Bourne of Savoy, of *the House*, were joined.

*Election Laws.* — Messrs. Smith of Worcester and Hampshire, McEttrick of Suffolk and Parkman of Suffolk, of *the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. McCall of Winchester, Sprague of Boston, Brewer of Springfield, Nickerson of Chatham, Kohlrausch of Billerica, Merritt of Chelsea, Hart of Lawrence and Rivers of Milton, of *the House*, were joined.

*On Expenditures.* — Messrs. Southwick of Essex, Clark of Franklin and Stevens of Worcester, of *the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Rideout of Cambridge, Bartlett of Lowell, Loud of Chelsea, Crowley of Boston, Buckley of Holyoke, Sparhawk of Marblehead, Jenkins of Wellfleet, Shute of Malden and Hoyt of Haverhill, of *the House*, were joined.

*On Federal Relations.* — Messrs. Southwick of Essex and Gilman of Middlesex, of *the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up ; and Messrs. Baker of Boston, Ferren of Stoneham, Burbank of Pittsfield, Hevey of Woburn,

Joint standing  
committees.

Galloupe of Beverly, Brown of Amesbury and Fallon of Boston, *of the House*, were joined.

*On Fisheries and Game.* — Messrs. Dame of Essex and Provin of Hampden, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Mayhew of Tisbury, Smith of Gloucester, Atwood of Plymouth, Allen of Dartmouth, Carroll of Blackstone, Barrows of Wareham and Toomey of Boston, *of the House*, were joined.

*On Harbors and Public Lands.* — Messrs. Simpkins of the Cape and West of Suffolk, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Austin of Taunton, Keliher of Boston, Nye of Barnstable, Brock of Lynn, Holmes of Chelsea, Lougee of Salem and Fall of Ipswich, *of the House*, were joined.

*On Insurance.* — Messrs. Provin of Hampden and Southwick of Essex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Chester of Newton, Giles of Somerville, Barrett of Concord, Buckley of Holyoke, Kelly of Boston, Brown of Boston and Bryant of Boston, *of the House*, were joined.

*On Labor.* — Messrs. Howard of Bristol, West of Suffolk and Baker of Essex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Jenks of Shelburne, McAnally of Lawrence, Carter of Wakefield, Easland of Great Barrington, Green of Belchertown, Ross of New Bedford, Batcheller of Sutton and Daley of Lynn, *of the House*, were joined.

*On the Library.* — Messrs. Coveney of Suffolk and Carter of Essex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Roe of Worcester, Parkhurst of Clinton, McSolla of Boston, Simonds of Barre, Hyde of Ware, Galloupe of Beverly, Barney of New Bedford and Mahoney of Boston, *of the House*, were joined.

*On the Liquor Law.* — Messrs. Champlin of Suffolk and Reade of Suffolk, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Woodsum of Braintree, Perkins of Boston, Simonds of Barre, Cutler of Taunton, Stickney of Townsend, Sullivan of Boston, Halley of Lawrence and Healy of Dudley, *of the House*, were joined.

*On Manufactures.* — Messrs. Baker of Essex, Howard of Bristol and Clark of Franklin, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Coburn of Lowell, O'Neil of Chicopee, Ackley of Fitchburg, Bessom of Lynn, Heffernin of Boston, Hall of Woburn, Smith of Andover and George of Groveland, *of the House*, were joined.

*On Mercantile Affairs.* — Messrs. Gilman of Middlesex, Coveney of Suffolk and Butler of Bristol, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Olmstead of Boston, Pratt of Lowell, Bennett of Everett, Moriarty of Worcester, Bates of Brookline, Bartlett of Lynn, Winslow of Norwood and Coakley of Cambridge, *of the House*, were joined.

*On Military Affairs.* — Messrs. Read of Middlesex, Wyer of Middlesex and Coveney of Suffolk, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Oakes of Boston, Heffernan of Fall River, Cannon of Lawrence, Jewett of North Adams, Brigham of Hudson, Crosby of Worcester, Jackson of Swampscott and Atwood of Kingston, *of the House*, were joined.

*On Parishes and Religious Societies.* — Messrs. Kimball of Berkshire and Hampshire and Meade of Essex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Ball of Upton, Chester of Newton, St. John of Haverhill, Bicknell of Weymouth, Leonard of Waltham, Winslow of Norwood and Fairbanks of Warren, *of the House*, were joined.

*On Printing.* — Messrs. McNary of Suffolk and Provin of Hampden, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Barrett of Concord, Hoyt of Haverhill, Clark of Palmer, Chance of Boston, Burbank of Pittsfield, Delaney of Fall River and E. P. Clark of Boston, *of the House*, were joined.

*On Prisons.* — Messrs. Eaton of Norfolk and Read of Middlesex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Richardson of Winthrop, Burnham of Boston, Potter of Salem, Richmond of Abington, Crowell of Yarmouth, Lincoln of Raynham and Dacey of Boston, *of the House*, were joined.

Joint standing  
committees.

*On Public Charitable Institutions.* — Messrs. Meade of Essex, Reade of Suffolk and Nutter of Plymouth, *of the Senate.*

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Blanchard of Boston, Sawyer of Danvers, Clark of Palmer, Bicknell of Weymouth, Savage of Lowell, Fletcher of Belmont, Fay of Northampton and Heald of Pepperell, *of the House,* were joined.

*On Public Health.* — Messrs. Nichols of Worcester and Merritt of Hampden, *of the Senate.*

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Blodgett of West Brookfield, Chance of Boston, Carter of Williamsburg, Dodge of Natick, Larkin of Tolland, Friend of Gloucester and Casey of Boston, *of the House,* were joined.

*On Public Service.* — Messrs. Drury of Middlesex and Baker of Essex, *of the Senate.*

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Morse of Holden, Baker of Boston, McSolla of Boston, Miller of Conway, Nourse of Bolton, Wolf of Boston and Melaven of Worcester, *of the House,* were joined.

*On Railroads.* — Messrs. Raymond of Middlesex, Kimball of Berkshire and Hampshire, Mott of Bristol and Ray of Norfolk, *of the Senate.*

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park, Bliss of Boston, Parker of Methuen, Hobson of Lowell, Ferren of Stoneham, Lakin of Westfield, Mellen of Worcester, Horton of Attleborough, Dyar of Boston, Burke of Quincy and Rockwell of Fitchburg, *of the House,* were joined.

*On Roads and Bridges.* — Messrs. Mott of Bristol and Carberry of Suffolk, *of the Senate.*

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Bacheller of Lynn, Taft of Worcester, Capen of Stoughton, Newell of West Newbury, Barstow of Norwell, Sweet of Norton and French of Framingham, *of the House,* were joined.

*On State House.* — Messrs. Reade of Suffolk and Kennedy of Suffolk, *of the Senate.*

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Harris of Boston, Blanchard of Boston, Cutler of Taunton, Francis of New Bedford,

McCarthy of Boston, Bardwell of Montague and Turner of Boston, *of the House*, were joined.

*On Street Railways.* — Messrs. Shaw of Essex, Kennedy of Suffolk and Arnold of Plymouth, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. L. M. Clark of Boston, Anderson of Cambridge, Golding of Boston, Proctor of Somerville, Norton of Boston, Wood of Boston, Dennis of Salem and Jennings of Worcester, *of the House*, were joined.

*On Taxation.* — Messrs. Champlin of Suffolk and Stevens of Worcester, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Richmond of Freetown, Crossman of Athol, Rugg of Grafton, Hinds of Webster, Meyer of Boston, Hooker of Westhampton and Sullivan of Fall River, *of the House*, were joined.

*On Towns.* — Messrs. Thayer of Worcester and Hickox of Berkshire, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Wilder of Leominster, Jennison of Weston, Lawrence of Cohasset, Gray of Rockland, Luther of Somerset, Quinn of Sharon and Jordan of Windsor, *of the House*, were joined.

*On Water Supply.* — Messrs. Wyer of Middlesex, Carter of Essex and Nichols of Worcester, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Howe of Gardner, Danforth of Lynnfield, Battles of Brockton, Hemenway of Shutesbury, Soule of Middleborough, Gilbride of Boston, Hoar of Boston and Ruggles of Franklin, *of the House*, were joined.

*On Woman Suffrage.* — Messrs. Arnold of Plymouth and McEttrick of Suffolk, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Gardner of Nantucket, Howard of Newton, Warren of Boston, Fletcher of Belmont, Brown of Boston, Fairbanks of Warren and Bardwell of Montague, *of the House*, were joined.

*Joint Special Committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.* — Messrs. Butler of Bristol, McEttrick of Suffolk and Wyer of Middlesex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. McCall of Winchester, Appleton of Peabody, Carter of Wakefield, Harding of Medfield,

Giles of Somerville, McLoughlin of Milford, Luby of Fall River and O'Brien of Marlborough, *of the House*, were joined.

Joint special  
committees.

*Joint Special Committee on Rapid Transit.* — Messrs. West of Suffolk, Raymond of Middlesex, McNary of Suffolk and Dame of Essex, *of the Senate*.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Bliss of Boston, Bennett of Everett, Blodgett of Templeton, Charles of Boston, Bacheller of Lynn, Richardson of Newburyport, Lynch of Boston, Hopewell of Cambridge, Nutting of Northampton, Graham of Quincy and Garfield of Brockton, *of the House*, were joined.

*Message from the Governor.*

Pardons granted  
by Governor  
and Council.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a list of pardons granted by the Governor and Council during the year 1891, which was read, and, on motion of Mr. Butler, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

*Order Adopted.*

Rules,  
committee on.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Rules be authorized to employ clerical assistance.

On motion of Mr. Meade, at thirteen minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet tomorrow at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, January 12, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Dr. Strong of Newton.

*Annual Reports.*

The annual report of the State House Commission on the work performed and the expenditures made by it during the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, with a list of expenditures in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms, was received, and, on motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

State House  
Commission,  
report of.

A communication was received from the Cattle Commissioners, transmitting their report for the year 1891, and, on motion of Mr. Hickox, the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Cattle Com-  
missioners,  
report of.*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Ray, a petition of Henry L. Millis and others that they may be incorporated as the Millis Savings Bank ;  
To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Millis Savings  
Bank.

By Mr. Smith, a petition of the Republican Editorial Association for such amendment of the laws relating to elections as shall facilitate the speedy announcement of the results thereof ;

Elections, an-  
nouncing results  
of.

To the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Simpkins, a petition of Smith R. Hopkins, clerk of courts for the county of Barnstable, that the salary of said official be increased ;

Smith R.  
Hopkins.

To the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Ice-covered  
sidewalks,  
injuries due to.

By Mr. Baker, a petition of the mayor of the city of Lynn that the limit of time for notice of injury or damage from a public way, in all cases in which snow or ice enters into its defective condition, may be shortened ;

To the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Butler, at five minutes past two o'clock P.M., the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.



WEDNESDAY, January 13, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Dr. Strong of Newton.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, the annual report of the State House Commission on the work performed and the expenditures made by it during the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, with a list of expenditures in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on State House.

State House  
Commission,  
report of.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Meade, a petition of George W. Glazier and others that the breed of dogs known as “ English Bloodhounds ” may be exempt from the provisions of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to the keeping of dogs known as bloodhounds ;

English  
bloodhounds.

To the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Read of Middlesex, a petition of Edwin M. Chamberlin that all legislative acts, orders and resolves passed by the General Court be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection, and for similar submission to the popular vote of any proposed law, for the enactment of which five thousand citizens unite in petitioning ;

Legislative  
acts, submission  
of, to the people  
for ratification.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. McEttrick, a petition of George Dutton and others for the repeal of all compulsory vaccination laws ;

Compulsory  
vaccination  
laws, repeal of.

To the committee on Public Health.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Howard, —

Women and  
minors, hours of  
labor of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of reducing the hours of labor for women and minors employed in mechanical and manufacturing establishments, from 60 to 56 hours weekly.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

Changes in  
committees.

Notice was received from the House that Mr. Bennett of Everett had been appointed chairman of the joint special committee on Rapid Transit in place of Mr. Bliss of Boston ; that

Mr. Bennett of Everett had, at his request, been excused from serving on the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and that Mr. Brewer of Springfield had been appointed on said committee ; and that

Mr. Brewer had, at his request, been excused from serving on the committee on Election Laws.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at five minutes past two o'clock P.M., the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, January 14, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

The Reverend Edmund Dowse, having accepted the Chaplain's office of Chaplain, was present and offered prayer.

*Introduced on Leave.*

Mr. Simpkins (on leave), introduced a Bill to amend Naval battalion. an act to establish a Naval Battalion to be attached to the Volunteer Militia, which was read and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Arnold, a petition of Walter L. Gilbert and Fishes artificially propagated, sale of. others that the statutes prohibiting the selling, for food, of fishes artificially propagated or maintained, during the season when the capture of such fishes is forbidden, may be so amended as to permit the sale for food of trout, artificially reared and not less than seven inches in length ;

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Champlin, a petition of Rufus S. Frost and Intoxicating liquor, — granting of licenses. others that a three-fifths vote shall be necessary to authorize the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor, and that a decision in the negative upon the question of granting licenses shall stand for three years ;

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. McNary, a petition of the Edison Electric Edison Electric Illuminating Company. Illuminating Company of Boston for authority to increase its capital stock ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Southwick, a petition of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home. Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts for an appropriation of \$30,000 ;

To the committee on Military Affairs.

Justice of  
fourth district  
court of  
Eastern Middle-  
sex, salary of.

By Mr. Wyer, a petition of Edward F. Johnson, justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex, that the salary of said official may be increased ;

To the committee on Public Service.

Boston & Maine  
R. R., — depot  
accommoda-  
tions in Lynn.

By Mr. Baker, a petition of C. H. Baker that the Boston and Maine Railroad be compelled to provide suitable depot accommodations for its patrons, in the city of Lynn ;  
To the committee on Railroads.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

### *Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Champlin, —

Justice of East  
Boston district  
court, salary of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the East Boston district court.

On motion of Mr. West, —

Rapid Transit  
committee, —  
stenographer.

*Ordered*, That the joint special committee on Rapid Transit be authorized to employ a stenographer.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, —

Superintendents  
of streets,  
selectmen not to  
serve as.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 98 of the Acts of the year 1889, so as to provide that members of boards of selectmen of towns shall not serve as superintendents of streets.

### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

#### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

College Shakes-  
pearean Club of  
the Massachu-  
setts Agricul-  
tural College.

A petition of Samuel C. Damon and others for an act of incorporation as the Trustees of the College Shakespearean Club of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ;

To the committee on Agriculture.

Salem, city of.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Salem for authority to refund the existing indebtedness of said city, and to issue bonds, notes or scrip for said purpose ;

To the committee on Cities.

A petition of W. S. Farris and others for legislation to regulate the taking of oysters in the waters of the town of Yarmouth;  
Yarmouth, town of, — taking of oysters.

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition of the Boston Rubber Shoe Company for authority to increase its capital stock;  
Boston Rubber Shoe Company.

A petition of Frank E. Tuttle and others for an act of incorporation as the Veranus Land Company;  
Veranus Land Company.

A petition of John Kenrick and others for an act of incorporation as the Orleans Cemetery Association; and  
Orleans Cemetery Association.

A petition of James H. Hopkins and others for an act of incorporation as the Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association of Provincetown;  
Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association of Provincetown.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of Frederick H. Fowler, chief clerk in the office of the State Board of Agriculture, for an increase of salary;  
Chief clerk in the office of State Board of Agriculture, salary of.

To the committee on Public Service.

A petition of David Smith and others that chapter 125 of the Acts of the year 1878 may be so amended that the expense of maintaining and repairing the bridge and draw over the canal connecting Vineyard Haven harbor with Lagoon Pond, so called, shall be equally divided by the towns of Cottage City and Tisbury;  
Cottage City and Tisbury, towns of, — expense of maintaining bridge and draw.

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

### *House Order Laid Over.*

The question on concurring in the adoption of the following House order was, at the request of Mr. Fernald, postponed until to-morrow, to wit: —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions be permitted to visit the public charitable institutions of the Commonwealth, also the American Asylum for Deaf and Dumb at Hartford, Conn., where there are sixty-four pupils from Massachusetts.  
Public Charitable Institutions, committee on.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at eleven minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

FRIDAY, January 15, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Introduced on Leave.*

Executive  
Stenographer,  
appointment of.

Mr. West (on leave) introduced a Bill to authorize the appointment of an Executive Stenographer, which was read and referred to the committee on Public Service.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Taken from the Table.*

Cattle Com-  
missioners,  
report of.

On motion of Mr. Arnold, the annual report of the Cattle Commissioners was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Pardons  
granted by  
Governor and  
Council.

On motion of Mr. Butler, the message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a list of pardons granted by the Governor and Council during the year 1891, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Prisons.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred:—

Mary Powers.

By Mr. Reade of Suffolk, a petition of John Reade that Mary Powers may be made eligible to receive State aid;

To the committee on Military Affairs.

Norfolk, county  
of, — salary of  
treasurer.

By Mr. Ray, a petition of Charles H. Smith, treasurer of the county of Norfolk, for an increase of salary;

To the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. McDonald, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the police court of Marlborough.

Marlborough,  
city of, — salary  
of justice of  
police court.

On motion of Mr. Stevens, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending the law, so that persons owning land that cannot be conveniently approached without crossing a railroad, shall, when such land has been cut off, without compensation to the owners, have a crossing maintained by the railroad.

Grade  
crossings.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, entitled: "An Act to promote the abolition of grade crossings," by striking out, in the eighth line thereof, the words "directors of the company," and inserting in place thereof the words "railroad commissioners," so that the clause, as amended, shall read as follows: "*Provided, however*, that if such decision involves a change in the grade of the railroad, the consent of the railroad commissioners to such change of grade shall first be obtained."

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, entitled: "An Act to promote the abolition of grade crossings," by striking out the following words in the fourth section thereof: "*Provided, however*, that if such decision involves a change in the grade of the railroad the consent of the directors of the company to such change of grade shall first be obtained."

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Meade, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that no clerk, assistant clerk, or any person engaged in the performance of any of the duties in the clerk's office of a court in any county, and no register, assistant register or any person engaged in any of the duties in the Registry of Deeds in any county shall be interested in, or be benefited by, the fees or

Clerks of  
courts, registers  
of deeds, etc., —  
fees.

emoluments arising from any suit or matter pending before the probate court or court of insolvency of such county; nor act as counsel or attorney either in or out of court in any suit or matter pending before said courts, or in an appeal therefrom; nor be appointed executor, administrator, guardian, commissioner, appraiser, divider or assignee of or upon any estate within the jurisdiction of such courts; nor be interested in the fees or emoluments arising from either of said trusts; provided, that nothing in said law shall be construed to cause the removal of any executor, administrator or guardian acting as such at the time of its taking effect, except upon petition and cause shown.

On motion of Mr. Butler, —

Privileged  
debts in  
insolvency  
proceedings.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 139 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes, relating to insolvency proceedings, so as to more clearly define the legal fees, costs and expenses of suit and of the custody of property which may be allowed as a privileged debt in insolvency proceedings.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Mileage tickets.

A Bill relating to mileage tickets (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railroads.

#### *Annual Reports.*

The following annual reports were severally referred, in concurrence: —

Board of Control of the State  
Agricultural  
Experiment  
Station.

Ninth annual report of the Board of Control of the State Agricultural Experiment Station;

To the committee on Agriculture.

Metropolitan  
sewerage com-  
missioners.

Third annual report of the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners;

To the committee on Drainage.

Reformatory  
Prison for  
Women.

Fourteenth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women;

Massachusetts  
Reformatory.

Seventh annual report of the Massachusetts Reformatory; and

State Prison.

Annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison;

Severally to the committee on Prisons.



Thirty-eighth annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ; State Almshouse at Tewksbury.  
 Thirty-eighth annual report of the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater ; and State Farm at Bridgewater.  
 Thirteenth annual report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools ; State Primary and Reform Schools.  
 Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Annual report of the State House Construction Commissioners ; State House Construction Commissioners.  
 To the committee on State House.

A report of the State Board of Agriculture on the work of extermination of the Gypsy Moth, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Agriculture. Gypsy Moth.

A report (in part) of the Rapid Transit Commission, was referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit. Rapid Transit Commission.

#### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

A petition of William H. H. Andrews and others for an act of incorporation as the Roxbury Trust Company ; Roxbury Trust Company.  
 To the committee on Banks and Banking.

A petition of the city of Chelsea that Broadway Square may be used as a public park or site of a public building ; Chelsea, city of — Broadway Square.  
 To the committee on Cities.

A petition of John F. Cook for an amendment of the law relative to the sale of fish artificially propagated ; Fish artificially propagated, sale of.  
 To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

#### *House Orders.*

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Fisheries and Game Lobsters. consider the expediency of repealing chapter 122 of the Acts of the year 1891, being "An Act to amend an Act for the better protection of lobsters."

Cigarettes,  
manufacture  
and sale of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes within the limits of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Governor,  
salary of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth.

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The following House order (the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday) was adopted, in concurrence : —

Public Charitable  
Institutions, com-  
mittee on.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions be permitted to visit the public charitable institutions of the Commonwealth, also the American Asylum for Deaf and Dumb at Hartford, Conn., where there are sixty-four pupils from Massachusetts.

On motion of Mr. Simpkins, at sixteen minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, January 18, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Parkman, a petition of the Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society for authority to hold additional property ;

Massachusetts  
Medical  
Benevolent  
Society.

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Mott, a petition of George F. Pratt, treasurer of the county of Bristol, that, in addition to his salary, he may be allowed a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars per annum for clerical assistance ;

Bristol, county  
of, — clerical  
assistance to  
treasurer.

To the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Southwick, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Expenditures examine into the condition of the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General and report on the same.

Treasurer and  
Receiver-  
General, securi-  
ties in hands of.

On motion of Mr. Mott, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Roads and Bridges be authorized to visit such places within the limits of the Commonwealth as it may deem necessary in the discharge of its duties.

Roads and  
Bridges, com-  
mittee on.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

*Annual Report.*

Part I. of the sixteenth annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Part I. of the  
report of the  
Commissioners  
of Savings  
Banks.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, at twelve minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, January 19, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend E. P. Blodgett of Greenwich.

*Introduced on Leave.*Fraternal  
beneficiary  
organizations.

Mr. Fernald (on leave), introduced a Bill to provide a remedy in cases of alleged violation of law by fraternal beneficiary corporations, organizations, associations and societies, which was read and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

Health College.

By Mr. McEttrick, a petition of George Dutton and others that a Health College may be chartered and endowed by the State ;

To the committee on Education.

John Charles.

By Mr. Champlin, a petition of Arthur B. Champlin that John Charles may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

To the committee on Military Affairs.

Essex, county  
of, — salaries of  
county com-  
missioners.

By Mr. Meade, a petition of the county commissioners of the county of Essex that the compensation of said officials may be increased ;

To the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Thayer, —

Police, pension-  
ing of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of enacting legislation to provide for pensioning members of the police departments in cities of the

Commonwealth containing seventy-five thousand inhabitants or more, so as to provide : (1) for the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the Police Department in such city who has served twenty years or more therein ; (2) for the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the Police Department in any such city who has been permanently injured while in the discharge of his duties therein, through no fault of his ; (3) for the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the Police Department in any such city who has reached the age of sixty years ; and (4) for the payment of such pensions from a police pension fund, supplied by annual appropriations, of any such city.

On motion of Mr. Stevens, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Education be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of their duties. Education, committee on.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of relieving women from paying any tax as a qualification for voting in elections for members of school committees. Women, exemption of, from payment of poll tax.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Woman Suffrage consider the expediency of granting to women the right to vote in cities and towns for municipal and town officers. Woman suffrage.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending the Public Statutes in chapter 156, section 48, clause 15, so as to provide that regular sessions of the Probate Court for the county of Worcester shall be held at Worcester upon the first, second and third Tuesdays of each month except the month of August, and that the sessions now provided for to be held at Milford, Templeton and Barre be discontinued. Worcester, county of, — Probate Court.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relating to the office of the Register of Deeds of the several counties (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Registers of Deeds.

Gettysburg  
Battlefield  
Memorial Asso-  
ciation.

A Resolve relating to the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Acts and  
Resolves,  
exchange of.

A Resolve to provide for the exchange of certain Acts and Resolves (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Printing.

### *Resolutions.*

Revenue  
marine, transfer  
of jurisdiction  
of,

Resolutions relative to the transfer of the revenue marine from the jurisdiction of the treasury department to the jurisdiction of the navy department, were referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Federal Relations.

### *Reports.*

The following reports were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Registers of  
Deeds, abstract  
of returns of.  
Registration  
report, — libels  
for divorce.

Abstract of the returns of Registers of Deeds in the several counties in the Commonwealth ; and  
So much of the Forty-ninth Registration Report as relates to libels for divorce ;  
Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

State Dairy  
Bureau, report  
of.

First annual report of the Dairy Bureau of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture ;  
To the committee on Agriculture.

State Librarian,  
report of.

Report of the Librarian of the State Library ;  
To the committee on the Library.

Adjutant-Gen-  
eral, report of.

Annual report of the Adjutant-General ;  
To the committee on Military Affairs.

Worcester Lun-  
atic Hospital,  
— Worcester  
Insane Asylum.

Fifty-ninth annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital and the fourteenth annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Insane Asylum at Worcester ;

Taunton Luna-  
tic Hospital.

Thirty-eighth annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ;

Northampton  
Lunatic Hos-  
pital.

Thirty-sixth annual report of the trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital ;

Westborough  
Insane Hospital.

Seventh annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

Forty-fourth annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded; and

Fourteenth annual report of the trustees of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital;

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

So much of the Forty-ninth Registration Report as relates to births, marriages and deaths, and the returns of medical examiners;

To the committee on Public Health.

### *Petitions.*

The following petitions, deposited in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, under the requirements of chapter 24 of the Acts of the year 1885, as amended by chapter 302 of the Acts of the year 1890, were severally referred, in concurrence:—

A petition of the town of Medford for a city charter;  
To the committee on Cities.

Medford, town of,—city charter.

A petition of Alfred D. Fox for the revival and extension of the charter of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company;

Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company,—Alfred D. Fox.

A petition of George S. Hall and others for the repeal of the charter of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, or for the grant of a similar charter to said Hall and others;

Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company,—George S. Hall.

A petition of the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company for an amendment of the act to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company and of its own charter;

Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company.

A petition of Edward Scott Randall for an act of incorporation for building a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay;

Buzzard's Bay Canal,—Edward S. Randall.

A petition of Charles H. Porter for a charter for constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay;

Buzzard's Bay Canal,—Charles H. Porter.

A petition of Lucien B. Stone for a charter for constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay;

Buzzard's Bay Canal,—Lucien B. Stone.

A petition of Thomas B. Inness for a charter for constructing a canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay;

Buzzard's Bay Canal,—Thomas B. Inness.

A petition of Henry A. Brown and others for the construction of a bridge across the tide-waters of Westport River; and

Westport River, bridge across.

Salem Willows,  
wharf at.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Salem for authority to establish a wharf at the Salem Willows ;

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Boston and  
Maine Railroad.

A petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad that the provisions of section 2 of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1891, shall apply to shares issued under chapter 185 of the Acts of the year 1890 ;

Konkapot Valley Railroad  
Company.

A petition of James H. Tyler and others for a revival of the charter of the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company ;

Central Massachusetts  
Railroad Company.

A petition of the Central Massachusetts Railroad Company for an enlargement of its power to issue bonds and secure the same by mortgage ;

Worcester and  
Shrewsbury  
Railroad Company.

A petition of the Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad Company for power to extend its road ;

Quincy Electric  
Freight Railway  
Company.

A petition of the Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company for additional locations ; and

Plymouth and  
Middleborough  
Railroad Company.

A petition of the Plymouth and Middleborough Railroad Company for an amendment of its charter in respect to leasing and bonding its road ;

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Bay State  
Elevated Rail-  
way Company,  
— Wm. B.  
Mack.

A petition of William B. Mack and others for the incorporation of the Bay State Elevated Railway Company, with authority to build elevated railways in Boston and its suburbs ;

Boston Elevated  
Railway Com-  
pany, — Frank  
A. Bar-  
tholomew.

A petition of Frank A. Bartholomew for the incorporation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, with authority to build elevated railways in Boston and its suburbs ; and

Subway Com-  
pany in Boston,  
— Henry C.  
Spalding.

A petition of Henry Curtis Spalding for the incorporation of the Subway Company, with authority to build underground railways in Boston ;

Severally to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Brookline,  
town of, — re-  
served spaces  
in public ways.

A petition of the selectmen of Brookline that said town may be authorized to reserve spaces in public ways ;

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Lowell, Law-  
rence and  
Haverhill  
Street Railway  
Company.

A petition of Charles W. Morse and others for incorporation as the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company ;

Haverhill and  
Amesbury  
Street Railway  
Company.

A petition of Charles Goss and others for incorporation as the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company, with power to acquire the property and franchise of the Black Rocks and Salisbury Beach Street Railway Company ;



A petition of the Marlborough Street Railway Company for authority to extend its tracks to Hudson and Westborough, to increase its capital stock, and for other powers;

Marlborough Street Railway Company.

A petition of J. H. Cunningham and others that the Plymouth and Kingston Street Railway Company may be authorized to extend its tracks and increase its capital stock;

Plymouth and Kingston Street Railway Company.

A petition of the Whitman Street Railway Company for authority to lease its railway and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company; and

Whitman Street Railway Company.

A petition of the East Side Street Railway Company for authority to lease its railway and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company;

East Side Street Railway Company.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

A petition of Isaac Bourn and others for a readjustment of the boundary line between the towns of Templeton and Phillipston;

Templeton and Phillipston, boundary line between.

A petition of Allen Look and others for a division of the town of Tisbury;

Tisbury, town of, division of.

A petition of Walter Moore and others for the annexation of a part of the town of Wakefield to the town of Melrose;

Wakefield, town of, — annexation of a part of, to Melrose.

A petition of C. G. Davis and others for the division of the town of Templeton;

Templeton, town of, division of.

A petition of W. C. Pease and others for a division of the town of Longmeadow; and

Longmeadow, town of, division of.

A petition of Edward H. Keith and others for the annexation of a part of the town of West Bridgewater to the city of Brockton;

West Bridgewater, town of, — annexation of a part of, to Brockton.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

A petition of the Lexington Water Company for authority to increase its water supply;

Lexington Water Company.

A petition of the inhabitants of the city of Pittsfield for an additional water supply;

Pittsfield, city of, — water supply.

A petition of Edwin V. Mitchell and others for incorporation as a water company for supplying the town of Medway with water;

Medway, town of, — water supply.

A petition of Edwin V. Mitchell and others for incorporation as a water company for supplying the town of Medfield with water;

Medfield, town of, — water supply.

A petition of the water commissioners of Clinton for authority to increase its water supply and incur the indebtedness necessary therefor;

Clinton, town of, — water supply.

Willimansett  
Water Com-  
pany.

A petition of C. L. Goodhue for the incorporation of the Willimansett Water Company ;

Millbury Water  
Company.

A petition of Charles D. Morse and others for the incorporation of the Millbury Water Company ;

Westminster,  
town of, —  
Meeting House  
Pond.

A petition of Artemas Merriam and others for authority to take water from Meeting House Pond in the town of Westminster ;

Fitchburg, city  
of, — water  
supply.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Fitchburg that said city may be authorized to increase its water supply and incur indebtedness ;

Millis Water  
Company.

A petition of Henry L. Millis and others for the incorporation of the Millis Water Company ;

North Attle-  
borough, Fire  
District No. 1.

A petition of the officers of Fire District No. 1 of North Attleborough for authority to increase its bonded debt for extending its water pipes ;

South Hadley,  
Fire District  
No. 1.

A petition of a committee of Fire District No. 1 of South Hadley for a special charter, for the ratification of their acts and for authority to issue bonds to meet expenses of securing a water supply ; and

Willimansett  
Aqueduct  
Company.

A petition of Q. J. Smith and others for incorporation as the Willimansett Aqueduct Company ;

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Intoxicating  
liquors, — trans-  
portation of  
liquor in no-  
license cities  
and towns.

A petition of George L. Clapp and others for further restrictions upon the transportation of intoxicating liquor in towns and cities which have not voted to grant liquor licenses of the first five classes ;

Intoxicating  
liquors, sale  
of, at summer  
resorts.

A petition of George H. Buck and others for legislation to prevent the licensing of an excessive number of places for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts ; and

Intoxicating  
liquors, — pub-  
lic bar.

A petition of Charles E. Adams and others to prevent sales of intoxicating liquor to be drunk on the premises, except to persons who have resorted there for food ;

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Samuel H.  
Damon.

A petition of Samuel H. Damon that he may be made eligible to receive State aid ; and

Augustus  
Barnes.

A petition of Augustus Barnes that he may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

A petition of John C. Kennedy, justice of the police court of Newton, for an increase of salary ;  
To the committee on Public Service.

Justice of police  
court of New-  
ton, salary of.

A petition of the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company that the provisions of chapter 208 of the Acts of the year 1891, relative to said company, may be defined and the company enabled to carry the same into effect; also that said company may be empowered to mortgage its property ;

Hoosac Tunnel  
and Wilming-  
ton Railroad  
Company.

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Revere for authority to establish a cellar grade ;  
To the committee on Towns.

Revere, town  
of, — cellar  
grade.

A petition of the officers of Fire District No. 1 of Attleborough and the selectmen of said town that said district may be authorized to take an additional water supply and incur indebtedness ;

Attleborough,  
Fire District  
No. 1.

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

### *House Order Laid Over.*

The consideration of the following House order was, at the request of Mr. Fernald, postponed until to-morrow : —

*Ordered,* That a joint special committee be appointed consisting of seven members on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, who shall inquire and report what legislation, if any, is advisable for the purpose of promoting the acquisition and preservation for enjoyment by the public, of more numerous commons and open spaces, located so as to include some of the finest scenery of the sea-coasts, river banks, hill-tops or other portions of the State, and of the neighborhood of Boston in particular.

Joint special  
committee, —  
public reserva-  
tions.

### *House Orders.*

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Elections, —  
canvassing  
votes.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 4 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, so as to provide for the more speedy and accurate counting and canvassing of votes at elections.

Mutual Boiler  
Insurance Com-  
panies.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending section 20 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, so that it shall not apply to Mutual Boiler Insurance Companies.

Prisons, com-  
mittee on.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Prisons be authorized to visit such places within the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Norfolk, county  
of, — salaries of  
county com-  
missioners.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk.

On motion of Mr. Carter, at twenty-nine minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, January 20, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Report of a Committee.*

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of said city, a Bill to authorize the city of Salem to issue bonds, notes or scrip, for the purpose of paying or refunding its indebtedness ; Salem, city of.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. McDonald, a petition of J. F. J. Otterson and others that the salary of the clerk of the police court of Marlborough may be increased ; Clerk of police court of Marlborough, salary of.

To the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Gilman, a petition of the President and Secretary of the Massachusetts Women's Christian Temperance Union for an act giving to women qualified to vote for members of the school committee in any city or town, the right to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in such city or town ; Intoxicating liquors, — woman suffrage.

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Simpkins, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of a revision of chapter 298 of the Acts of the year 1884, and of additions thereto and amendments thereof, relative to ascertaining what citizens are entitled to the right of suffrage so as to provide for a more careful and thorough registration of voters and a better enforcement of the existing laws relative thereto. Voters, registration of.

On motion of the same Senator, —

Voters, registration of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of a revision of chapter 298 of the Acts of the year 1884, and of additions thereto and amendments thereof, relative to ascertaining what citizens are entitled to the right of suffrage, so as to provide for a careful system of registration and a thorough re-registration throughout the State.

On motion of the same Senator, —

Harbors and Public Lands, committee on.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth, as occasion may demand, in the fulfillment of its duties.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

##### *Message from the Governor.*

United States Fish Commission, — Squam Pond.

A message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting a request of the United States Fish Commissioner for the enactment of a law placing the waters of Squam Pond, a great pond within the limits of the Commonwealth, under the control of the United States Fish Commission, was, with the accompanying documents, referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Federal Relations.

##### *Resolutions.*

War ship Marblehead, naming of.

Resolutions relative to giving the name of Marblehead to the new war ship now building at South Boston, were referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Federal Relations.

##### *Annual Report.*

Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties, report of.

The fourth annual report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

##### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Home for Young Women and Children, — change of name.

A petition of E. T. Rowell for change of name of the Home for Young Women and Children in Lowell to the Ayer Home for Young Women and Children ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs,

A petition of Margaret Weise that she may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Margaret  
Weise.

To the committee on Military Affairs.

A petition of Richard Newell for the relief of the city of Haverhill and the towns of Amesbury, Merrimac and West Newbury in the matter of the maintenance of Rocks Bridge ;

Haverhill,  
Amesbury,  
Merrimac and  
West Newbury,  
— Rocks  
Bridge.

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

A petition of the special committee of the town of Orange that said town may be authorized to establish a system of water supply (taken from the House files of last year) ;

Orange, town  
of, — water  
supply.

To the committee on Water Supply.

### *House Orders.*

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of such legislation as will prohibit safe deposit, loan and trust companies from doing a savings bank business.

Safe deposit,  
loan and trust  
companies.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending or modifying chapter 441 of the Acts of the year 1888, otherwise known as the Caucus Act, with a view to embodying or incorporating therein the principles of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, and amendments thereto, otherwise known as the Australian ballot act, so far as said principles may be applicable thereto.

Caucuses, —  
Australian sys-  
tem of voting.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of repealing sections 33, 37 and 39 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, relating to the taking of fish in the Merrimack River.

Merrimack  
River, — fish-  
eries.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of so amending chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, that the fraternal beneficiary corporations, organized under the laws of other States, transacting only the business defined in section 9 of said chapter, may be admitted to transact business in this Commonwealth.

Fraternal bene-  
ficiary corpora-  
tions.

Skilled labor,  
protection of,—  
registration of  
labels.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will tend to the better protection of skilled labor and for the registration of labels, marks, names, brands, or devices covering the product of such labor of associations or unions of working men or women.

Towns, rate of  
taxation in.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of limiting the rate of taxation in towns.

Water Supply,  
committee on.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Water Supply be authorized to visit such places within the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

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The following House order, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was adopted, in concurrence :—

Joint special  
committee,—  
public reserva-  
tions.

*Ordered*, That a joint special committee be appointed consisting of seven members on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, who shall inquire and report what legislation, if any, is advisable for the purpose of promoting the acquisition and preservation for enjoyment by the public, of more numerous commons and open spaces, located so as to include some of the finest scenery of the sea-coasts, river banks, hill-tops or other portions of the State, and of the neighborhood of Boston in particular.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, the number of members on the part of the Senate was fixed at two.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick, at sixteen minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.



THURSDAY, January 21, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of a Committee.*

By Mr. Reade of Suffolk, from the committee on State House, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State House Construction Commissioners; and State House Construction Commissioners, report of.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State House Commission, on the work performed and the expenditures made by it during the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, with a list of expenditures in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms; State House Commission, report of.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Annual Report.*

A report of the State Board of Health upon water supply and sewerage, was received; and so much thereof as relates to water supply, was referred to the committee on Water Supply, and so much as relates to sewerage and sewage disposal, was referred to the committee on Drainage. State Board of Health, report of.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred:—

By Mr. Kimball, a petition of the Trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital for an appropriation of \$50,000 for repairs and improvements at said institution; Northampton Lunatic Hospital.

To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Sent down for concurrence.

By Mr. Butler, a petition of the mayor of the city of New Bedford that the limit of time for notice of injury or Ice-covered sidewalks, injuries due to.

damage from a public way, in all cases in which snow or ice enters into its defective condition may be shortened ;  
To the committee on the Judiciary.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Gilman, —

Fraternal  
beneficiary  
corporations.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of so amending chapter 360 of the Acts of the year 1891, that its provisions shall not apply to fraternal beneficiary corporations transacting the business defined in chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, and acts in amendment thereof.

On motion of Mr. Carter, —

Women and  
minors, employ-  
ment of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of prohibiting persons from employing women or minors for the purpose of manufacturing, between the hours of ten o'clock at night and six o'clock in the morning, in the same manner in which corporations and manufacturing establishments are now prohibited from so doing.

On motion of Mr. McNary, —

Commissioner  
on Public  
Records of  
Parishes,  
Towns and  
Counties,  
report of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing 1,500 extra copies of the fourth report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties to be distributed under the direction of said commissioner.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Butler, —

Superior  
Courts, — com-  
pensation of  
official stenog-  
raphers for  
special work.

*Ordered,* That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 291 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to official stenographers in the Superior Court, so as to provide that the presiding judge may, in his discretion, order that the expense of any transcript of stenographic notes, fully written out, of any part of the testimony, charge or rulings, which he may desire, relating to any case tried or heard before him, be paid by the county in which such trial or hearing may take place, and to require said county to pay such expense when certified by the presiding judge.

On motion of Mr. Hickox, —

Adjournment.

*Ordered,* That when the Senate adjourns to-day it adjourn to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

*Joint Special Committee.*

The President appointed Messrs. Fernald and Kimball, on the part of the Senate, to serve on the joint special committee to "inquire and report what legislation, if any, is advisable for the purpose of promoting the acquisition and preservation for enjoyment by the public, of more numerous commons and open spaces, located so as to include some of the finest scenery of the sea-coasts, river-banks, hill-tops on other portions of the State, and of the neighborhood of Boston in particular."

Joint special committee, — public reservations.

Sent down to be joined.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

*Annual Reports.*

The following annual reports were severally referred, in concurrence : —

The annual report of the Deputy Sealer of Weights and Measures ;

Deputy Sealer of Weights and Measures, report of.

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

So much of the abstract of the report of the Auditor of Accounts as relates to the salary of the State Aid Commissioner ;

Abstract of report of Auditor of Accounts, — salary of State Aid Commissioner.

To the committee on Public Service.

The annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, came up, referred, as follows : —

So much thereof as relates to weights and measures, to the joint committee on the Judiciary ;

Treasurer and Receiver General, report of.

So much thereof as relates to the collateral legacy and succession tax, to the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency ;

So much thereof as relates to the exemption of State and municipal securities from taxation, to the committee on Taxation ; and

The residue of the report, to the committee on Expenditures.

Pending the question on concurring in the reference of the several portions thereof, the report was, on motion of Mr. Southwick, laid on the table in order that it might be printed, in accordance with the provisions of the law.

*House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Malden, city of,  
— parks.

A petition of James Pierce, mayor of the city of Malden, that said city may be authorized to incur indebtedness for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ;

To the committee on Cities.

Metropolitan  
Life Insurance  
Company.

A petition of Charles P. Stockwell that the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of New York may be prohibited from issuing policies in this State without a medical examination, or without the written knowledge or consent of the person insured ;

To the committee on Insurance.

Luther F.  
Chamberlain.

A petition of G. W. Perkins for relief to Private Luther F. Chamberlain, injured while doing militia duty ; and

Sidney Herrick.

A petition of H. C. Sparhawk that Sidney Herrick may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Railroads, —  
500-mile tickets  
at mileage rates.

A petition of J. E. Woods and others for such legislation as will compel railroads to sell 500-mile tickets at mileage rates ;

To the committee on Railroads.

Webster, town  
of, — water  
supply.

A petition of a special committee of the town of Webster that said town may be authorized to establish a system of water supply (taken from the House files of last year) ;

To the committee on Water Supply.

*House Orders.*

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Lobsters.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending section 84 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, so that the same shall read : “ Whoever sells or offers for sale, or has in his possession with intent to sell, either directly or indirectly, a lobster less than nine inches in length, measuring from one extreme of the body extended to the other, exclusive of claws or feelers, shall forfeit five dollars for every such lobster ; and

in all prosecutions under this section, the possession of any lobster not of the required length shall be prima facie evidence to convict."

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of enacting a law that all fees for licenses to sell intoxicating liquor shall hereafter be paid into the treasuries of the several counties. Intoxicating  
liquors,—  
license fees.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, fifteen hundred dollars each. Justices of the  
Supreme Judi-  
cial Court,—  
salaries.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Salem to issue bonds, notes or scrip, for the purpose of paying or refunding its indebtedness, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Senate bill.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, at sixteen minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, January 22, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Dr. Strong of Newton.

*Taken from the Files of Last Year.*

Births and  
deaths, returns  
of.

On motion of Mr. Dame, the clerk was directed to take from the files of last year the petition of Eben P. Stanwood for legislation providing for the better enforcement of the provisions of section 4 of chapter 32 of the Public Statutes, and section 1 of chapter 158 of the Acts of the year 1883, concerning returns, by sextons, physicians and others, of deaths and births, — and the same was submitted, under the rule, to the committee on Rules, for inspection.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

Boston, city  
of, — L street  
bridge.

By Mr. McNary, a petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for an extension of time for the completion of the L Street Bridge, to December 31, 1892 ;

To the committee on Cities.

Election laws.

By Mr. Parkman, a petition of H. S. Carruth, chairman of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for the year 1891, for an amendment of the laws relating to the conduct of elections ;

To the committee on Election Laws.

Lowell Electric  
Light  
Corporation.

By Mr. Drury, a petition of the Lowell Electric Light Corporation that it may be authorized to issue bonds for \$200,000 and mortgage its property and franchise to secure the same ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Newburyport  
and Amesbury  
Horse Railroad  
Company.

By Mr. Shaw, a petition of the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company for authority to issue

bonds secured by mortgage to discharge its funded and other indebtedness and further equip its railroad ;

To the committee on Street Railways.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

##### Bills

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the gov- Appropriations.  
ernment during the present year ;

Making appropriations for the compensation and mile- ia.  
age of the members of the Legislature, for the compensa-  
tion of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection  
therewith ; and

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the ia.  
judicial department of the government during the present  
year ; and

A Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money Treasurer  
authorized to  
borrow money.  
in anticipation of revenue ;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to  
the committee on the Treasury.

A Resolve authorizing the publication of a bulletin of Bulletin of  
committee  
hearings.  
committee hearings, was read. On motion of Mr. South-  
wick, the rules were suspended and the resolve was read  
a second and a third time and passed to be engrossed, in  
concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended, on  
further motion of the same Senator.

A Bill relating to the use of check-lists in town meet- Check-lists, use  
of, in town  
meetings.  
ings (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in  
concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.

#### *Annual Report.*

The annual report of the Chief of the Massachusetts Chief of the  
District Police,  
report of.  
District Police, came up, and the several portions thereof  
were referred, in concurrence, as follows :—

So much thereof as relates to the protection of human Protection of  
life.  
life in case of fire and the reports of detectives in miscel-  
laneous criminal cases, to the joint committee on the  
Judiciary ;

So much thereof as relates to violations of the fish and Fish and game  
laws.  
game law and recommendations of amendment therein, to  
the committee on Fisheries and Game ;

Women as  
factory inspec-  
tors, — inspection  
of factories,  
— employment  
of children, —  
sweating-sys-  
tem, — weavers,  
— machinery, —  
elevators —  
report of acci-  
dents.

Forfeited  
liquors,  
disposition of.

Ventilation of  
school build-  
ings.

So much thereof as relates to women as factory inspectors, the inspection department, and the enforcement of inspection laws in factories, and in mechanical, manufacturing and mercantile establishments, the employment of children, and sweating-system, the weavers' fine bill, the guarding of machinery, security of elevators and report of accidents, to the committee on Labor;

So much thereof as relates to the disposition of forfeited liquors, to the committee on the Liquor Law; and

So much thereof as relates to the ventilation of school buildings, to the committee on Public Health.

### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence: —

Massachusetts  
Charitable Eye  
and Ear Infirmary.

A petition of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary for an appropriation;

To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Groveland  
bridge.

A petition of M. Millison and others that the town of Groveland may be relieved from part of the expense of maintaining Groveland bridge;

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

### *House Orders.*

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence: —

The Library,  
committee on.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of changing the name of the joint standing committee on the Library, to committee on Libraries.

Schools, — study  
of State Con-  
stitution.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of making the State Constitution a required study in the higher grades of the grammar schools and the high schools of the Commonwealth.

Elections, —  
opening of  
ballot-boxes  
during progress  
of vote.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so that the provisions thereof, permitting towns not divided into voting precincts, and having more than six hundred voters, to open the ballot-boxes during the progress of the vote, and take therefrom ballots to be counted, may also apply to all precincts in towns divided into voting precincts.



*Ordered*, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations, as amended by chapter 341 of the Acts of the year 1890, by striking out the word "fifty," in section eight, and inserting the word "eighty-five;" also by striking out the words "no portion of said securities shall be drawn except upon a requisition signed by three-fourths of the executive committee, or other officers corresponding thereto, and endorsed by the Insurance Commissioner," and inserting the following: "No portion of said securities shall be drawn except upon a requisition signed and sworn to by the president, secretary and treasurer of the corporation, or officers corresponding thereto, setting forth a complete list of the persons to whom the matured endowments are to be paid and the amount to be paid to each person, and setting forth that the money thus withdrawn is to be used for the purposes of the trust. Any officer of said corporation swearing to a false statement shall be held guilty of violation of the law, and shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than three months, or both, in the discretion of the court."

Fraternal  
beneficiary  
organizations.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing five thousand copies of the report of the Gypsy Moth Commission, for public distribution.

Gypsy Moth  
Commission,  
report of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing five hundred additional copies of the map accompanying the report of the committee appointed at the last session for redividing the Commonwealth into congressional districts, and showing the present congressional districts of the Commonwealth.

Map of congress-  
sional districts.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of establishing a State board of road engineers, who shall have supervision of the construction and repairs of all roads in this Commonwealth leading from town to town, town to city, or city to town; and of providing for a mileage payment, from the State treasury, to cities and towns constructing such roads in accordance with the orders, and to the approval of said State board, and of providing proper compensation for said board, and allowances for its expenses and its necessary assistants.

State board of  
road engineers.

Commissioner  
of roads and  
bridges.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of legislation providing for the appointment of a commissioner of highways and bridges for the inspection and supervision of the roads and bridges in the Commonwealth, and whose duty shall be to furnish information and advice to the cities and towns in relation to highways and bridges.

School tax.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of changing the present system of support of the public schools, so that the rate of taxation for school purposes shall be the same throughout the Commonwealth, by including the amount necessary for the support of schools in the State tax and distributing such amount among the various towns and cities in proportion to the number of children in attendance upon the public schools of such towns and cities.

Area of fire  
districts.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of amending section 40 of chapter 35 of the Public Statutes, so as to limit the area of fire districts.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Salem to issue bonds, notes or scrip, for the purpose of paying or refunding its indebtedness, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate reports

Senate reports.

Of the committee on State House, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State House Construction Commissioners; and

Of the committee on State House, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State House Commission, on the work performed and the expenditures made by it during the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, with a list of expenditures in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Baker, at twenty-one minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, January 25, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Taken from the Files of Last Year.*

On motion of Mr. West, the clerk was directed to take from the files of last year the petition of Thomas H. Bacon, Martin P. Kennard and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company, for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay, — and the same was submitted, under the rule, to the committee on Rules, for inspection.

Canal from  
Nantucket  
Sound to Cape  
Cod Bay.

On motion of Mr. Raymond, the clerk was directed to take from the files of last year the petition of I. P. Hutchinson for the passage of a bill relating to mileage tickets on railroads, — and the same was submitted, under the rule, to the committee on Rules, for inspection.

Mileage tickets  
on railroads.

*Petition.*

Mr. McNary presented a petition of the president of the Carney Hospital for an appropriation of \$10,000 from the Commonwealth, which was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Carney  
Hospital.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Nichols, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending section 7 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1885, by inserting after the word “Act,” in the third line thereof, the words “and violations of section 2 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes;” also of amending section 9 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1885, by inserting after the word “retail,” in the third line thereof, the words “or expose or keep for sale,” and by inserting after the word “dollars,” in the sixth

Intoxicating  
liquors.

line of said section, the words "or imprisonment for not less than one nor more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment."

Sent down for concurrence.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

##### Bills

Appropriations.

Making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid, and for expenses in connection therewith ;

Id.

Making appropriations for certain allowances authorized by the Legislature ;

Id.

Making appropriations for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund, the State House loan sinking fund, 1901, and the State House construction loan sinking fund ;

Id.

Making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses ; and

Id.

Making appropriations for the printing and binding of public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes ;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

East Bridge-  
water, town of,  
— relief for cer-  
tain veterans.

A Resolve in favor of certain veterans of the town of East Bridgewater (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs.

#### *Annual Report.*

Attorney-  
General,  
report of.

The annual report of the Attorney-General, came up, and the several portions thereof were referred, in concurrence, as follows :—

Lobby.

So much thereof as relates to the lobby law, to the joint committee on Rules ;

Short term  
endowment  
orders.

So much thereof as relates to the short term endowment orders, to the committee on Insurance ;

Tax returns of  
corporations.

So much thereof as relates to the failure of corporations to make tax returns and recommendation of alteration in the law, to the committee on Taxation ; and

The residue of report to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

#### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence :—

Boston, city of,  
— sidewalks.

A petition of the chairman of the board of aldermen of

the city of Boston for legislation enabling the city to construct sidewalks of a uniform pattern ;

To the committee on Cities.

A petition of the selectmen of Blandford and others for legislation permitting the sale of trout artificially propagated, in certain cases ;

Trout artificially propagated, sale of.

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition of John F. Sundberg that the widow of Michael F. Doherty may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Mrs. Michael F. Doherty.

A petition of Shubael C. Norton that he may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Shubael C. Norton.

A petition of M. B. Gilbride that George H. Gould may be made eligible to receive State aid ; and

George H. Gould.

A petition of John Ord, Jr., that he may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

John Ord, Jr.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

A petition of Oscar F. Timlin, third assistant clerk of the municipal court of Boston, for an increase of salary ;

Boston, city of, — salary of third assistant clerk of municipal court.

To the committee on Public Service.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation which shall exempt municipal bonds from taxation, and shall abolish all forms of double taxation ;

Boston, city of, — municipal bonds.

To the committee on Taxation.

A petition of the Quincy Water Company for authority to increase its capital stock ; and

Quincy Water Company.

A petition of the Quincy Water Company for authority to take land to prevent the pollution of its water ;

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

A petition of Susan S. Fessenden for legislation granting to women equal facilities with men in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of liquor, and in the election of municipal officers ;

Intoxicating liquors, — woman suffrage.

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

### *House Orders.*

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary

Employers' liability.

consider the expediency of so amending chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, and acts in amendment thereof, as to allow a recovery by the widow, or next of kin, of an employee who, if he had survived, would have been entitled to recover in his own name, notwithstanding the fact that his death was not instantaneous, or that it ensued only after conscious suffering, — in accordance with the recommendation in the Governor's address to the Legislature in January, 1890.

Elections, codification of laws relating to.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of codifying the laws relating to elections so as to provide a more uniform and convenient code.

Voters, registration of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending the laws relative to registration of voters as to provide that there shall be, during the year 1892, a new or re-registration of voters, in view of the repeal of the constitutional provision relative to the poll-tax, in cities of not less than twenty thousand inhabitants.

District attorneys, salaries of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of equalizing the salaries of the district attorneys of the Commonwealth.

Suffolk, county of, — assistant clerk for Superior Court.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of providing another assistant clerk of the Superior Court for the county of Suffolk, and fixing his compensation.

Railroad tickets.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of enacting a law making the tickets issued by any railroad corporation good on all trains on said railroad passing between the stations named on said tickets, whether stopping or not.

Railroads, — electricity as a motive power.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, and laws amendatory thereof, so as to grant railroads the right to use electricity as a motive power and for purposes incidental thereto.

Street railways, taxation of.

*Ordered,* That the joint special committee on Rapid Transit consider the expediency of so amending the laws as to provide for the payment of an annual money tax by all horse and electric railroad companies to the cities and

towns in which or through which they run or operate ; the same to be assessed by the assessors of said cities and towns upon the property of said companies, both real and personal, situated in said cities and towns, including the rails and sleepers with attachments as laid and used, or upon the trips actually made, or upon the cars actually operated, or upon all as aforesaid.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of providing that street railway companies operating their cars by the use of electricity shall supply and use on every car some appliance, approved in writing by the board of Railroad Commissioners, for deadening the noise incident to the operation of such car, as is now provided in the case of railroad corporations using any vacuum brakes or safety valves.

Street railways,  
— appliances  
for deadening  
noise.

*House Order Laid Over.*

The question on concurring in the adoption of the following House order, was, at the request of Mr. Parkman, postponed until tomorrow : —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of amending section 85 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relating to towns and town officers, so as to extend and fix the term of office of police officers of the several towns of the Commonwealth, and of providing that all such police officers shall hold office during good behavior and until removed by the board of selectmen of their respective towns, after hearing, for such cause as the board in their opinion deem sufficient.

Police officers  
in towns,  
tenure of office  
of.

*Resolve Passed.*

A Resolve authorizing the publication of a bulletin of committee hearings (which originated in the House), was passed and was laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve.

On motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, at twenty-six minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, January 26, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of a Committee.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House bills

Appropriations. Making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year; and

Id. Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial department of the government during the present year, — severally, ought to pass; and

Id. By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the House Bill making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith; and

Treasurer authorized to borrow money. The House Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue, — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Motion to Reconsider.*

Street railways,  
taxation of.

Mr. Champlin moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, adopted, in concurrence, the House order "That the joint special committee on Rapid Transit consider the expediency of so amending the laws as to provide for the payment of an annual money tax by all horse and electric railroad companies to the cities and towns in which or through which they run or operate; the same to be assessed by the assessors of said cities and towns upon the property of said companies, both real and personal, situated in said cities and towns, including the rails and sleepers with attachments as laid and used, or upon the trips actually made, or upon the cars actually operated, or upon all as aforesaid," — and this motion was, by a vote of 15 to 16, negatived.



*Report.*

A report of the commissioners for completing the Province Laws. preparation and publication of the Province Laws, was received and was referred to the the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Reade of Suffolk, a petition of George A. Barnard that he may be made eligible to receive State aid ;  
To the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Simpkins, a petition of the trustees of Public Reservations for legislation for the preservation of the province lands at the extremity of Cape Cod ;  
To the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

By Mr. McDonald, a petition of William N. Davenport and others for an increase of salary of the justice of the police court of Marlborough ;  
To the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Thayer, a petition of the mayor of the city of Worcester that said city may be authorized to borrow \$300,000 in addition to the amount already authorized, for the purpose of increasing its water supply and of extending its water works ;

By Mr. Read of Middlesex, a petition of the mayor of the city of Cambridge that said city be authorized to issue additional water bonds to the amount of \$500,000 ;  
and

By Mr. Mott, a petition of the mayor of the city of Taunton that the right of said city to take and hold water from certain sources be reaffirmed and established, and that said city be authorized to increase its water loan ;

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The petition of Eben P. Stanwood for legislation providing for the better enforcement of the provisions of section 4 of chapter 32 of the Public Statutes, and section 1 of chapter 158 of the Acts of the year 1883, concerning

returns by sextons, physicians and others, of deaths and births, — which was, on Friday last, ordered to be taken from the files of last year, was laid before the Senate and was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mileage tickets  
on railroads.

The petition of I. P. Hutchinson for the passage of a bill relating to mileage tickets on railroads, which was yesterday ordered to be taken from the files of last year, was laid before the Senate and was referred to the committee on Railroads.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Hickox, —

Massachusetts  
Agricultural  
College.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of continuing, for an additional period of four years, the annual appropriation of \$10,000 to the Massachusetts Agricultural College, as provided by chapter 12 of the Resolves of the year 1889.

On motion of Mr. Dame, —

Fisheries and  
Game, com-  
mittee on.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Fisheries and Game be authorized to visit such places within the limits of the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

On motion of Mr. Champlin, —

Intoxicating  
liquors.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of a revision of all laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors.

On motion of the same Senator, —

State Highway  
Commission.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of a law for the appointment of a State Highway Commission and defining its duties and powers.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

*Annual Reports.*

Commissioners  
on Inland Fish-  
eries and Game,  
report of.

The report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

The fourth annual report of the State Pension Agent, State Pension Agent, report of. was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs.

### *House Petitions.*

A petition of Francis A. Harrington, mayor of the Truant schools. city of Worcester, for legislation authorizing transfers from local truant schools to county truant schools, came up, referred to the committee on Education. The Senate non-concurred in the reference, and, on motion of Mr. Parkman, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

A petition of the board of selectmen of Wakefield for a Wakefield, town of, — electric light plant. special law empowering said town to erect and maintain an electric light plant, came up, referred to the committee on Towns. The Senate non-concurred in the reference, and, on motion of Mr. Parkman, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Manufactures.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

A petition of Newton Talbot and others for incorporation as a cemetery association ; Evergreen Cemetery in Stoughton.  
To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of the officers of the Massachusetts Woman's Minors, use of tobacco by. Christian Temperance Union for legislation to prevent the use of tobacco by persons under sixteen years of age ;  
To the committee on Public Health.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the Municipal bonds, taxation of. removal of the tax from all bonds or certificates of indebtedness issued by cities or towns of the Commonwealth ;  
To the committee on Taxation.

A petition of Angelina Worswick and others for legisla- Woman suf- frage. tion giving to all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers ;  
To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

*House Orders.*

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
liquor licenses.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, by substituting for the words "one for each one thousand," the words "one for each five hundred," in lines five and six of said section.

The following House order, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was adopted, in concurrence : —

Police officers  
in towns,  
tenure of office  
of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of amending section 85 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relating to towns and town officers, so as to extend and fix the term of office of police officers of the several towns of the Commonwealth, and of providing that all such police officers shall hold office during good behavior and until removed by the board of selectmen of their respective towns, after hearing, for such cause as the board in their opinion deem sufficient.

On motion of Mr. Kennedy, at twenty minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet tomorrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, January 27, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, Appropriations that the House Bill making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses, ought to pass ; and

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the 1d. House Bill making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Read of Middlesex, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of the trustees thereof, a Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

By Mr. Baker, from the committee on Public Service, that the Bill to authorize the appointment of an Executive Stenographer (introduced on leave), ought to pass ; Executive Stenographer, appointment of.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

By Mr. McDonald, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 98 of the Acts of the year 1889, so as to provide that members of boards of selectmen of towns shall not serve as superintendents of streets ; Superintendents of streets in towns.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Committee Discharged.*

Mr. Butler, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to providing that no clerk, assistant clerk, or any person engaged in the performance Clerks of courts, registers of deeds, etc., — fees.

of any of the duties in the clerk's office of a court in any county, and no register, assistant register or any person engaged in any of the duties in the registry of deeds in any county shall be interested in, or be benefited by, the fees or emoluments arising from any suit or matter pending before the probate court or court of insolvency of such county; nor act as counsel or attorney either in or out of court in any suit or matter pending before said courts, or in an appeal therefrom; nor be appointed executor, administrator, guardian, commissioner, appraiser, divider or assignee of or upon any estate within the jurisdiction of such courts; nor be interested in the fees or emoluments arising from either of said trusts; provided, that nothing in said law shall be construed to cause the removal of any executor, administrator or guardian acting as such at the time of its taking effect, except upon petition and cause shown, — and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence in the reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

*Message from the Governor.*

Message from  
the Governor, —  
death of Coun-  
cillor-elect  
Charles F.  
Loring.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor and was read and sent down to the House: —

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, Jan. 27, 1892.

*To the Senate and House of Representatives.*

It is my painful duty to announce to the Legislature the death of Hon. Charles F. Loring of Melrose, a member-elect of the Executive Council from the Sixth District, at his home, after a long and painful illness, on the morning of Jan. 26. In his death the Commonwealth loses a faithful citizen who was greatly respected and loved, and who, I am confident, would have rendered her most useful and honorable service in the high office to which he had been chosen.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Fernald, —

Hon. Charles  
F. Loring,  
funeral of.

*Ordered,* That a committee of three be appointed to represent the Senate at the funeral service of the Honorable Charles F. Loring, late member-elect of the Executive Council.

Messrs. Fernald, McDonald and Wyer were appointed said committee.

*Petition.*

Mr. Carter presented a petition of the mayor of the city of Lawrence for an act authorizing the maintenance by said city of a bridge over the north canal in said city, which was referred to the committee on Cities.

Lawrence, city of, — bridge over north canal.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Simpkins, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to elections, so as to provide that fewer election officers may be required at the polling places in small towns, divided into polling precincts.

Towns, number of election officers in.

On motion of Mr. Howard, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of making an additional appropriation of \$2,000 to be expended under the direction of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor in ascertaining the number of families in the city of Boston residing in rented tenements; the average amount of rent paid monthly by each family; the number of rooms rented by each family; the average number of persons to each room; their sex and occupation; the length of time the heads of families have been residents of the United States; what per cent. of the male population are citizens, and their nationality, and the sanitary condition of the tenements rented as aforesaid, as authorized by chapter 115 of the Resolves of the year 1891.

Boston, city of, — rentals, etc.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Labor be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of their duties.

Labor, committee on.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 12 of chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, relative to "imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions," in the sixth and seventh lines of said section, so that said lines shall read "proportional part of said tax shall be paid back to him by the executor, administrator or trustee."

Legacies and successions, taxation of.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Bills

- Appropriations.** Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the district police; and
- Id.** Making appropriations for incidental and contingent expenses of the legislative and executive departments of the Commonwealth;
- Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.
- Commissioner of Public Records.** A Bill to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner on Public Records (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

*Annual Reports.*

- Part II. of the 16th Annual Report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.** Part II. of the sixteenth annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Banks and Banking.
- Number of registered voters and number of ballots cast at the last State and city elections.** The second annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth on the number of assessed polls, registered voters and persons who voted in each voting precinct at the State, city and town elections, in the year 1891, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.
- Part II. of the thirty-sixth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner.** Part II. of the thirty-sixth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to life, casualty and assessment insurance (taken from the House files of last year), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Insurance.
- Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of Corporations, report of.** The annual report of the Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of Corporations for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, came up, referred as follows:—
- General corporation laws, — change of names of corporations, — foreign corporations.** So much thereof as relates to the general corporation law, the change of names of corporations, and the law requiring foreign corporations to make the Commissioner of Corporations their attorney for the service of process, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs; and
- The residue of the report to the committee on Taxation.
- Pending the question on concurring in the reference of the several portions thereof, the report was, on motion of Mr. Champlin, laid on the table, in order that it might be printed in accordance with the provisions of the law.



*House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence :—

A petition of Daniel W. Friend and others that the town of Manchester may be made part of the judicial district under the jurisdiction of the police court of Gloucester; and

Manchester, town of,—  
police court of Gloucester.

A petition of Marcellus Coggan and others that the sittings of the first district court of Eastern Middlesex may be changed;

First district court of Eastern Middlesex, sittings of.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

A petition of the president of the common council of the city of Boston for legislation authorizing salaries to be paid to members of said common council;

Boston, city of,—  
salaries of common councilmen.

To the committee on Cities.

A petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in the election of senators and representatives;

Senators and representatives, election of.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

A petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in the election of municipal officers; and

Municipal officers, election of.

A petition of the State central committee of the Socialist Labor Party that a political party polling the number of votes equal to the number of signatures now required by nomination papers may file certificates of nomination in the same way that parties polling three per cent. of the vote now do;

Elections,—  
certificates of nomination.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

A petition of the Wendell Phillips Woman's Club for an investigation into the condition of laborers;

Laborers, condition of.

To the committee on Labor.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Haverhill and others that cities and towns voting not to license the sale of intoxicating liquor may be empowered to provide through their own agents for the sale of liquor for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes, and that in such cases no licenses of the sixth class or other license shall be granted; and

Intoxicating liquors,—  
agents in no-license cities and towns.

A petition of Susan S. Fessenden and others for a prohibitory liquor law;

Intoxicating liquors,—  
prohibitory law.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Home for Aged  
Men in Boston.

A petition of the Home for Aged Men for leave to hold additional property ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Dukes County,  
county of, —  
bridge over  
canal connect-  
ing Holmes'  
Hole Harbor  
with Lagoon  
Pond.

A petition of the county commissioners of Dukes County for legislation defining their duties in respect to the appointment of a draw tender for the bridge over the canal or creek connecting Holmes' Hole Harbor with Lagoon Pond ;

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Municipal  
bonds, taxation  
of.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Malden that municipal bonds may be exempt from taxation ;

To the committee on Taxation.

Methuen Water  
Company.

Petitions of C. H. Tenney and others for incorporation as the Methuen Water Company ;

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

#### *House Orders.*

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

General Court,  
mileage for  
members of.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 352 of the Acts of the year 1886, providing for the compensation of members of the legislature, so that it shall read as follows : " Each member of the Senate and House of Representatives shall receive \$750 for the regular annual session for which he is elected, and two dollars for every mile of ordinary travelling distance from his place of abode to the place of the sitting of the General Court ; and the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House shall receive double the compensation provided for members."

Gifts of books  
to pupils in pub-  
lic schools.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of authorizing cities and towns to allow pupils on leaving or graduating from the public schools, to receive from the city or town the books in use by said pupils at that time.

Elections, —  
marking of  
ballots.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as may prevent fraudulent marking of ballots during and subsequent to elections.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 60 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to supervisors of registration, and of providing for additional supervisors to attend all sessions of the board of registrars in any city or town, or in the city of Boston all sessions of the assistant registrars in all the wards thereof, and of making any other changes or improvements in the laws whereby fraudulent registration may be prevented and detected.

Elections, —  
registration of  
voters.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of repealing so much of section 6 of chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, concerning the better preservation of birds and game, as relates to pursuing any wild fowl with or by aid of a sailboat.

Wild fowl.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of prohibiting within this Commonwealth the manufacture of garments under the so-called sweating system and of prohibiting the sale of garments so manufactured.

Sweating system.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending section 1 of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, as to grant one liquor license for each five hundred inhabitants of all cities and towns voting yes on the license question.

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
number of  
licenses.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of legislative enactment which shall more fully limit and control the industries carried on in the State Prison and other penal institutions of the Commonwealth, so that interference with honest labor may be reduced to a minimum.

State Prison, —  
control of industries.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of legislation compelling street railways of the Commonwealth to apply to their cars the most approved pattern of fenders for the protection of limb and life.

Street railways,  
— protection of  
life.

#### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House bills

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the House bill government for the present year ;

House bills.

Making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith; and

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial department of the government during the present year; and

House resolve.

The House Resolve authorizing the treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, at twenty-nine minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, January 28, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Dr. Strong of Newton.

*Reports of a Committee.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House bills

Making appropriations for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund, the State House loan sinking fund, 1901, and the State House construction loan sinking fund; Appropriations.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the district police; and

Making appropriations for incidental and contingent expenses of the legislative and executive departments of the Commonwealth, — severally, ought to pass; and Id.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the appointment of an Executive Stenographer; and Executive Stenographer.

The Senate Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts; and Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

The House bills

Making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid, and for expenses in connection therewith; and Appropriations.

Making appropriations for certain allowances authorized by the Legislature, — severally, ought to pass; Id.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Introduced on Leave.*

Mr. Champlin (on leave), introduced a Bill relating to the punishment of drunkenness, which was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Drunkenness, punishment of.

Mr. Baker (on leave), introduced a Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Gardiner Tufts, which was read and referred to the committee on Expenditures. Gardiner Tufts widow of.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Petitions, etc.*

The following petitions, etc., were severally presented and referred : —

Horses, docking  
of.

By Mr. Nutter, a petition of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for the passage of an act for the protection of horses mutilated by docking ;

To the committee on Agriculture.

Provincetown,  
town of, —  
watering of  
streets.

By Mr. Simpkins, a petition of J. Ames Gifford and others that the town of Provincetown be authorized to raise and appropriate money for the purpose of watering its streets ; and

Phillipston and  
Templeton,  
towns of, —  
boundary line.

By Mr. Smith, a remonstrance of the selectmen of the town of Phillipston and others against the petition of Isaac Bourn and others for a change in the line between the towns of Phillipston and Templeton ;

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Randolph, town  
of, — water  
bonds.

By Mr. Eaton, a petition of the water commissioners of the town of Randolph, in behalf of said town, for authority to make an additional water loan ;

To the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Smith, —

Ballots, produc-  
tion of, in  
court.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing that ballots thrown at any election and in the custody of city and town clerks, according to the provisions of law, shall, at any time, be brought into court by such clerks upon the order of the judge, to be used at any trial for offences against the election laws.

On motion of the same Senator, —

Male voters,  
qualification of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the qualification of male voters, so as to provide that no person shall be disqualified to vote by reason of non-payment of a tax assessed upon him.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 208 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to the qualification of voters in town affairs, so as to provide that no person shall be disqualified to vote at town meetings upon all questions of town affairs, by reason of non-payment of any tax assessed upon him. Voters in towns, qualification of.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Treasury be requested to report fully to the Senate the reasons for the expenditure in excess of the appropriation for the year 1891 for the State Prison in Boston. State Prison, expenditures at.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, —

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns on Thursday of each week, it adjourns to meet on the following day at one o'clock P.M. Adjournment.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1891, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury. Appropriations.

A Bill to establish a system of police for the Commonwealth (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions. System of police for the Commonwealth.

#### *Annual Report.*

The fifty-fifth annual report of the Board of Education, together with the fifty-fifth annual report of the secretary of the board, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education. Board of Education, report of.

The House petition of Francis A. Harrington, mayor of the city of Worcester, for legislation authorizing transfers from local truant schools to county truant schools, came up, the House having receded from the reference to the committee on Education and concurred in the reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Truant schools.

Wakefield,  
town of, —  
electric light  
plant.

The House petition of the board of selectmen of the town of Wakefield for a special law empowering said town to erect and maintain an electric light plant, came up, the House having receded from its reference to the committee on Towns and concurred in the reference to the committee on Manufactures.

### *House Petitions.*

Municipal coal  
yards.

A petition of Edward Bellamy, Thomas Wentworth Higginson and others for a law enabling cities and towns to establish coal yards and supply fuel to their citizens at cost, came up, referred to the committee on Towns.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.  
Sent down for concurrence.

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence: —

Dogs.

A petition of Howland Holmes and others for legislation to prevent dogs from going at large unless securely muzzled;

To the committee on Agriculture.

Naming a new  
war ship  
"Gloucester."

A petition of the Gloucester Board of Trade that the Secretary of the Navy be requested to give the name of "Gloucester" to one of the war ships in process of construction;

To the committee on Federal Relations.

Trout arti-  
ficially propa-  
gated, sale of.

A petition of C. G. Turner and others for legislation permitting the sale of trout artificially propagated;

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Dams across  
navigable  
streams in cer-  
tain cases.

A petition of Charles Bassett and others of Chatham and Harwich for an amendment of the law relative to the cultivation of cranberries, so as to permit the building of dams across navigable streams, in certain cases;

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Intoxicating  
liquors,  
agencies for the  
sale of.

A petition of Susan S. Fessenden that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor;  
To the committee on the Liquor Law.



A petition of Josiah H. Horton and others for incorporation as the Eastham Cemetery Association; Eastham Cemetery Association.  
To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of Harry W. Welch for aid from the State on account of disabilities received while doing militia duty (taken from the House files of last year); Harry W. Welch.  
To the committee on Military Affairs.

A petition of Henry L. Whittlesey, clerk of the police court of Newton, for an increase of salary; Clerk of police court of Newton, salary of.

A petition of James W. Hoitt, second clerk in the office of the chief of the district police, for an increase of salary; and Second clerk of the chief of the district police, salary of.

A petition of Chester C. Conant, judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Franklin, for an increase of salary; Judge of probate and insolvency in the county of Franklin, salary of.  
Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petitions of George O. Brigham and others; Moses Bigelow and others; George A. Howe and others; and M. Quirk and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of the Marlborough Street Railway Company for authority to extend its tracks to Hudson and Westborough; Marlborough Street Railway Company.  
Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

A petition of the Fitchburg Street Railway Company and the Leominster Street Railway Company that they may be authorized to consolidate, or that either of said corporations may purchase or lease the franchise and property of the other; Fitchburg Street Railway Company, — Leominster Street Railway Company.

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

### *House Orders.*

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence: —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of requiring and providing a stencil device to be used by voters in marking their ballots, instead of the cross as now required, to the end that a duplication of marks by dishonest counters may be prevented. Elections, — marking of ballots.

Sweating  
system.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of passing a resolve urging upon Congress the importance of passing a law regulating commerce between the States by prohibiting the transportation from one State to another of clothing manufactured under the sweating-system, so called, unless each garment so manufactured is marked with a label bearing the name of the manufacturer and place of manufacture; and of providing a proper inspection system to secure the enforcement of the law.

Merrimack  
River, — fish-  
eries.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of repealing so much of sections 33, 37 and 39 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, as relates to the taking of fish on the Merrimack River.

Intoxicating  
liquors, — sale  
of on election  
days in Boston.

*Ordered,* That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of such legislation as shall permit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston after the hour of six o'clock in the afternoon on all election days.

Lunatic hospi-  
tals, commit-  
ments to.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of amending section 14 of chapter 87 of the Public Statutes, relating to commitments to lunatic hospitals, by striking out, in the third and fourth lines, the words "mayor or one or more of the selectmen," and inserting in their place the words "overseers of the poor or to their agents or secretary in all cities and towns, excepting in the city of Boston, said notice shall be given to the commissioners of public institutions or their secretary," so as to read: "Sect. 14. A person applying for the commitment or for the admission of a lunatic to a State lunatic hospital, under the provisions of this chapter, shall first give notice in writing to the overseers of the poor or to their agents or secretary in all cities and towns, excepting in the city of Boston, said notice shall be given to the commissioners of public institutions or their secretary, of the place where the lunatic resides, of his intention to make such application; and satisfactory evidence that such notice has been given shall be produced to the judge in cases of commitment."

State board of  
road engineers.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of legislation providing for the election or appointment of a State board of road engineers,

comprising one member from each county, excepting the county of Suffolk, who shall have supervision of the construction, maintenance and repairs of all public roads, bridges and dams within the towns of the Commonwealth, with provision for compensation and necessary expenses from the State Treasury or by the various counties, as may be deemed expedient.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

Making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses ; Bills.  
and

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bills

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the gov- House bills  
ernment for the present year ;

Making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith ; and

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial department of the government during the present year ; and

The House Resolve authorizing the treasurer to borrow House resolve.  
money in anticipation of revenue ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on the Judiciary, Senate report.  
inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 98 of the Acts of the year 1889, so as to provide that members of boards of selectmen of towns shall not serve as superintendents of streets, was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Meade, at twenty-nine minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P.M.

FRIDAY, January 29, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Dr. Strong of Newton.

*Reports of Committees.*

Collateral  
legacies and  
successions, tax  
on.

By Mr. McDonald, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill to amend an Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions ; and

Boston, city of,  
— bridge  
across reserved  
channel in  
South Boston.

By Mr. McNary, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, a Bill to extend the time for building a public highway bridge across the reserved channel in South Boston ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

State Dairy  
Bureau, report  
of.

By Mr. Hickox, from the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on the first annual report of the Dairy Bureau of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture ;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred :—

Boston Fire  
Department, —  
pensions to cer-  
tain persons.

By Mr. Kennedy, a petition of Patrick J. Kennedy for legislation which will enable Andrew C. Scott and David L. Adamson to be placed on the pension roll of the Boston Fire Department ;

To the committee on Cities.

John M. Berry,  
— State loan to  
individuals for  
building  
purposes.

By Mr. Howard, a petition of John M. Berry that a State loan of \$3,000,000 be made to cities and towns of the Commonwealth, to be used for building homes for the people, to be paid for in rent ;

To the committee on Labor.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Champlin, —

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 388 of the Acts of the year 1888, so as to create and affix a penalty for the making by brokers or money lenders, of loans at a greater rate of interest than eighteen per cent. per annum; and also to change the period of time for which said rates may be collected when the debt is paid before the expiration of that period; also of reducing or eliminating entirely the provision making an allowance for the expenses incurred in making loans.

Loans, rate of interest on.

On motion of Mr. Butler, —

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of repealing chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled: "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions."

Legacies and successions, abolition of tax on.

On motion of Mr. Simpkins, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be authorized to employ a stenographer for the better fulfillment of their duties.

Harbors and Public Lands, committee on, — stenographer.

On motion of Mr. McNary, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 220 of the Acts of the year 1882, being an act to prohibit the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors on premises within a certain distance of public schools, so that the provisions of the same shall not apply to a hotel containing more than one hundred rooms.

Intoxicating liquors, — licenses.

On motion of Mr. Arnold, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the county commissioners for the county of Plymouth.

County Commissioners for the county of Plymouth, salary of.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the Justices of the Superior Court, fifteen hundred dollars each.

Justices of Superior Court, salaries of.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Towns be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of their duties.

Towns, committee on.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

**Appropriations.** A Bill making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

*Annual Report.*

**Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations,** report of.

The third annual report of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

*House Petitions, etc.*

The following House petitions, etc., were severally referred, in concurrence : —

**Boston, city of,**  
— pensions in  
the fire department.

A petition of Albert C. Lynn relative to pensions in the fire department of the city of Boston ; and

**Boston, city of,**  
— city hall.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the passage of an act authorizing the city council to take land for a city hall and yard ;

Severally to the committee on Cities.

**Lobsters.**

A petition of the selectmen and others of the town of Gosnold that it may be made lawful to sell lobsters nine and one-half inches in length ; and

**Trout artificially propagated,** sale of.

A petition of George H. Chase and others for legislation permitting the sale of trout artificially propagated, in certain cases ;

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

**Intoxicating liquors,** —  
public bar.

A petition of Charles F. Washburn and others, in aid of the petition of Charles E. Adams and others to prevent sales of intoxicating liquor to be drunk on the premises, except to persons who have resorted there for food ;

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

**Monatiquot Cemetery.**

A petition of Charles A. Belcher and others for an act of incorporation as the Monatiquot Cemetery (taken from the House files of last year) ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

**East Gloucester Baptist Society.**

A petition of Thomas Renton and others, parish committee of the East Gloucester Baptist Society, that the name of said corporation may be changed and its powers limited and defined ;

To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

A petition of the wholesale clothing manufacturers of Boston in favor of interchangeable mileage tickets upon Massachusetts railroads ;

Mileage tickets on railroads.

To the committee on Railroads.

A remonstrance of Joseph A. Shores and others against the division of the town of West Bridgewater ;

West Bridgewater, town of, division of.

To the committee on Towns.

A petition of the selectmen of Marblehead that said town may be authorized to increase its water debt ;

Marblehead, town of, — water debt.

To the committee on Water Supply.

### *House Orders.*

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to prevent the issue by railroad corporations of free passes to legislative, judicial, or executive officers.

Railroad passes, — legislative, judicial or executive officers.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of altering or repealing existing laws respecting the mileage of members of the Legislature.

General Court, — mileage of members.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of authorizing the ballot law commissioners, provided for in chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, and amendments thereto, to administer oaths to witnesses, to compel their attendance and the production of papers.

Elections, — ballot law commissioners.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of so amending chapter 395 of the Acts of the year 1889, relating to the burial of deceased, indigent or friendless soldiers, sailors or marines of the late war, as to provide that the State shall reimburse cities and towns the entire amount of money expended for the burial of such persons dying in public or State institutions in said cities or towns.

Deceased soldiers and sailors, burial of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Public Health be authorized to visit such places within the limits of the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Public Health, committee on.

Taxes, abatement of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending section 74 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, relating to the time within which applications for abatement may be filed, by striking out the word "six," and inserting in place thereof the word "three."

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

Bills.

To authorize the appointment of an Executive Stenographer ;

Making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid, and for expenses in connection therewith ;

Making appropriations for certain allowances authorized by the Legislature ;

Making appropriations for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund, the State House loan sinking fund, 1901, and the State House construction loan sinking fund ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the district police ; and

Making appropriations for incidental and contingent expenses of the legislative and executive departments of the Commonwealth ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

The Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, was read a second time. Pending the question on ordering the same to a third reading, Mr. Southwick moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until Monday next, and this motion was lost. The resolve was then ordered to a third reading.

The House bills

House bills.

Making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses ; and

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kimball, at ten minutes before two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.



MONDAY, February 1, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Report of a Committee.*

By Mr. Smith, from the committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of the Senate, recommending that the rules of the Senate of last year be adopted as the rules of the Senate for the year 1892 ;

Senate Rules.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Petitions.*

The petition of Thomas H. Bacon, Martin P. Kennard and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company, for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay, which was, at a previous session, ordered to be taken from the files of last year, was laid before the Senate. On motion of Mr. West, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Canal from  
Nantucket  
Sound to Cape  
Cod Bay.

Sent down for concurrence.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Smith, a petition of D. L. Richards and others that the town of Dana may be made a part of the judicial district now under the jurisdiction of the first district court of Northern Worcester ; and

Dana, town of,  
— judicial district  
of first  
district court of  
Northern  
Worcester.

By the same Senator, a petition of E. S. Kendall and others that the town of Westminster may be made a part of the judicial district now under the jurisdiction of the first district court of Northern Worcester ;

Westminster,  
town of, —  
judicial district  
of first district  
court of  
Northern  
Worcester.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Wild cherry  
trees, removal  
of.

By Mr. Butler, a petition of Franklyn Howland for legislation requiring the removal of wild cherry trees from highways ;

To the committee on Agriculture.

Savings bank  
funds, invest-  
ment of, in  
street railway  
bonds.

By Mr. Drury, a petition of George J. Carney and others that the laws in relation to the class of securities in which the funds of savings banks may be invested, be so amended as to embrace the bonds of street railway companies paying dividends ;

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Cambridge  
Firemen's  
Relief Asso-  
ciation.

By Mr. Coveney, a petition of Thomas J. Casey and others for an act of incorporation as the Cambridge Firemen's Relief Association of Cambridge ; and

Marlborough  
Hospital  
Corporation.

By Mr. McDonald, a petition of E. G. Hoitt and others that the Marlborough Hospital Corporation may be authorized to take and hold real estate and personal property by purchase in addition to the methods enumerated in chapter 60 of the Acts of the year 1890 ;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Clerk of fourth  
district court of  
Eastern Middle-  
sex, salary of.

By Mr. Wyer, a petition of Benjamin E. Bond, clerk of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex, that his salary may be increased ;

To the committee on Public Service.

Revere, town  
of, — cellar  
grade.

By Mr. Champlin, a petition of Jonathan Stone and others for an act establishing a grade for cellars for the town of Revere, and also preventing said town from accepting any street or highway that is not filled up by the owners of the land to a grade not less than six feet above mean high water ;

To the committee on Towns.

Onset Water  
Company.

By Mr. Butler, a petition of Joseph K. Nye and others that they may be incorporated as the Onset Water Company ; and

Naukeag Water  
Company.

By Mr. Raymond, a petition of Ivers W. Adams, president of the Naukeag Water Co., for an amendment of the charter of said company so as to enable it to take and hold additional sources of water supply in the town of Ashburnham ;

Severally, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, in each case, to the committee on Water Supply, with

instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Thayer, —

*Ordered,* That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 6 of chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, so that when a lien is claimed only for labor performed or furnished under an entire contract, which includes both labor and materials, at an entire price, the statement required to be filed in the registry of deeds for the county or district where the building or structure is situated, shall not be deemed insufficient solely by reason of any inaccuracy in stating or failing to state, the contract price, the number of days of labor performed or furnished and the value of the same, provided it is shown that there was no intention to mislead and that the parties entitled to notice of the statement were not in fact misled thereby.

Lien on buildings.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of enacting legislation to provide for the creation of a Bureau of Steam Engineering and to provide for the examination and licensing of persons in charge of steam engines, steam boilers, and steam generators, and to provide for the better protection of life and property from accidents caused by unskilful and careless management of steam apparatus.

Bureau of Steam Engineering.

On motion of Mr. Coveney, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of making the salary of the associate medical examiner of the county of Suffolk, one-sixth of the present salary received by each of the two medical examiners of said county.

Suffolk, county of, — salary of associate medical examiner.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the first district court of Eastern Worcester to \$1,200 per annum.

Justice of the first district court of Eastern Worcester, salary of.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Bills

- Appropriations.** Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department; and
- Id.** Making an appropriation for the Commonwealth's flats improvement fund;
- Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

*Annual Report.*

**Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, — report of trustees.** The sixtieth annual report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

**Municipal coal yards.** The House petition of Edward Bellamy, Thomas Wentworth Higginson and others for a law enabling cities and towns to establish coal yards and supply fuel to their citizens at cost, came up, the House having receded from its reference to the committee on Towns and concurred in the reference to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

*House Petitions.*

**Oxford, town of, — reimbursement for money expended for support of a pauper.** A petition of the overseers of the poor of the town of Oxford that said town may be reimbursed for the amount expended for the support of Sarah B. Dodge at the Danvers Lunatic Hospital, came up, referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. On motion of Mr. Thayer, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Land taken for street improvements.** A petition of the mayor of the city of Boston that action may be taken for the adoption of an amendment to the Constitution authorizing the taking of an entire tract of land in certain cases, when an improvement in the location of a highway would necessitate taking a portion of such tract, came up, referred to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit. Pending the question on concurring in the reference, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Champlin, postponed until to-morrow.

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence :—

A petition of William A. Paine and others for incorporation of the Beacon Trust Company ; Beacon Trust Company.  
To the committee on Banks and Banking.

A petition of Joseph J. Casey for legislation granting to permanent members of the fire department in the city of Boston the right to three days' leave of absence, without loss of pay, in case of death in their families ; Boston fire department,—leave of absence of members.  
To the committee on Cities.

A petition of the visitors of the State Normal School at Worcester for an appropriation for said institution ; State Normal School at Worcester.  
To the committee on Education.

A petition of H. B. Chandler and others for legislation permitting the sale of trout artificially propagated ; Trout artificially propagated, sale of.  
To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition of the Bakers' Protective Assembly for relief from the burdens imposed upon them by the present laws as to labor on the Sabbath ; Bakers' Protective Assembly,—Sunday law.  
To the committee on Labor.

A petition of James A. Norcross and others in aid of the petition for further restrictions upon the transportation of intoxicating liquor in towns and cities which have not voted to grant liquor licenses of the first five classes ; Intoxicating liquors,—transportation in no-license towns.

A petition of Frederick Fosdick and others in aid of the petition for legislation to prevent the licensing of an excessive number of places for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts ; and Intoxicating liquors,—sale of, at summer resorts.

A petition of Otis A. Merrill and others that a three-fifths vote may be required for licensing the sale of intoxicating liquor, and that a decision not to grant licenses may stand for three years ; Intoxicating liquors,—vote on the question of granting licenses.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

A petition of the Newburyport Howard Benevolent Society that it may be enabled to hold additional property ; Newburyport Howard Benevolent Society.  
To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of Z. L. Bicknell that Ellen Toomey may be made eligible to receive State aid ; Ellen Toomey.  
To the committee on Military Affairs.

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George O. Bent.

A petition of George O. Bent that he may be compensated for injuries received in the discharge of his duty at the Reformatory Prison for Women;

To the committee on Prisons.

Register of probate and insolvency for Hampden County, salary of.

A petition of James A. Lakin that the salary of Samuel B. Spooner, register of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampden, may be increased;

To the committee on Public Service.

Railroads,—private crossings.

A petition of John W. Dobbie and others for legislation requiring railroad companies to maintain a suitable crossing to land cut off from the highway by a railroad; and

Boston and Albany Railroad,—crossing in Brookline.

A petition of the directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad Company for authority to discontinue the crossing of St. Mary's Street in Brookline;

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Arlington, town of,—high school building.

A petition of the selectmen of Arlington for authority to incur indebtedness for the purpose of erecting a high school building;

To the committee on Towns.

Woman suffrage.

A petition of Electa N. L. Walton and others for municipal suffrage for women;

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

### *House Orders.*

The following House order was considered:—

Cities and towns,—sewers.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Drainage consider the expediency of giving to cities and towns a wider latitude in determining the manner and time of paying for the construction of sewers.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, the order was amended by striking out all after the words "expediency of," and inserting in place thereof the following words: "extending the present law relating to methods of paying for sewers so that cities and towns shall have authority" (in addition to the powers now given by chapter 50 of the Public Statutes) —

1st. To establish a just and equitable annual charge for use of the sewers to be paid by every person who enters his particular sewer into the common sewer.

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2d. To assess such part of the cost of the sewer as the city council shall determine by a combination of the different methods of assessment provided by said chapter 50 rather than by one method alone, upon the estates abutting upon the line of the sewer; for example, to base one half of assessment on valuation, and one half on area or area and frontage, if the city council deem it advisable to do so.

3d. To adopt the valuation fixed by the board of assessors next preceding the date of making the sewer assessment, as the basis of all sewer assessments which are to be apportioned on abutting estates according to their value.

4th. To charge such reasonable sum as the board having charge of sewer assessments may determine upon estates situated outside the limit of abutting estates and not liable to assessment, whenever such estates become connected with the sewer.

5th. To postpone the time for payment of assessments on estates not built upon, when requested by the owner, until built upon or for a fixed time to be determined by the board having charge of sewer assessments, provided that interest be paid annually upon the assessment from the time it is made and provided that the assessment be paid within three months after such estate is built upon or after the expiration of such fixed time of postponement.

6th. To construct laterals from the main sewer to the lines of the street for use of adjoining estates, at the expense of the city, charging each adjoining estate the whole or such part as the city council may determine, of the average cost of all such laterals; and to prohibit the construction of such laterals by any one but the city and its authorized agents

7th. To empower the board having charge of sewer assessments to abate and reassess the same in case any assessment is invalid by reason of error or otherwise.

8th. To authorize the incorporation of sewer districts within towns or cities for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a system of sewers within such district.

9th. In case of a general revision of the law or important enlargement of it, to adopt the new act in place of any special law now in force, in towns by vote of the inhabitants at a town meeting duly called and in cities by vote of the city council."

The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence :—

Boston, city of,  
— enforcement  
of laws against  
gambling.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of placing the police powers for the enforcement of all laws against gambling in Boston in the executive of said city.

School com-  
mittees, eligi-  
bility of mem-  
bers of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing that persons in order to be eligible as members of a school committee or school board must be legal voters of the town or city in which they are chosen.

Railroad em-  
ployees, hours  
of labor of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of limiting the hours of labor of the employees of railroads operated in this Commonwealth, or under its laws, and of compelling extra compensation for extra service.

Arsenic.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of enacting a law which will prevent the manufacture or sale of articles of household or personal use containing arsenic, where such articles may be dangerous to the health of the community.

Taxes, assess-  
ment and  
collection of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of enacting a law requiring the assessment and collection of taxes by a State board, so as to remove the present inequalities in our methods of tax assessment and collection.

#### *Bill Enacted.*

Bill enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

An engrossed Bill making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted and was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

#### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Bill.

The Bill to extend the time for building a public high-



way bridge across the reserved channel in South Boston, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend an Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions, was read a second time and amended, on motion of Mr. McDonald, by adding the following new section: "*Sect. 2.* This act shall take effect upon its passage." The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Collateral legacies and successions, taxation of.

The Senate Bill to authorize the appointment of an Executive Stenographer; and

The Senate Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid, and for expenses in connection therewith;

Making appropriations for certain allowances by the Legislature;

Making appropriations for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund, the State House loan sinking fund, 1901, and the State House construction loan sinking fund;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the district police; and

Making appropriations for incidental and contingent expenses of the legislative and executive departments of the Commonwealth;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on the first annual report of the Dairy Bureau of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Southwick, at twenty-three minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Joshua Coit of Winchester.

*Reports of Committees.*

**Appropriation.** By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill making an appropriation for the Commonwealth's flats improvement fund, ought to pass ; and

**Id.** By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the House Bill making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

**Boston, city of,  
— rentals, etc.**

By Mr. Howard, from the committee on Labor, on an order, a Resolve providing for the collection by the Bureau of Statistics of Labor of certain statistics relative to families residing in rented tenements in the city of Boston ;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

**Newburyport  
and Amesbury  
Horse Railroad  
Company.**

By Mr. Shaw, from the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of the same, a Bill to authorize the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company to issue mortgage bonds ;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Introduced on Leave.*

**Supreme and  
Superior Courts  
for the county  
of Middlesex,  
number of  
officers in  
attendance  
upon.**

Mr. Fernald (on leave), introduced a Bill to establish the number of officers in attendance upon the Superior and Supreme Judicial Courts for the county of Middlesex, and in relation to their duties and salaries ; and

Mr. Merritt (on leave), introduced a Bill for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested;

Persons wrongfully arrested, compensation of.

Severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

### *Reconsideration.*

On motion of Mr. Clark, the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, referred the petition of Ivers W. Adams, president of the Naukeag Water Co., for an amendment of the charter of said company so as to enable it to take and hold additional sources of water supply in the town of Ashburnham, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct, — was reconsidered. On further motion of the same Senator, the vote by which the Senate suspended the 9th joint rule, was also reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on the suspension of the rule, the petition was, on further motion of Mr. Clark, laid on the table.

Naukeag Water Company.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Clark, it was taken from the table. There being no objection, Mr. Raymond then withdrew the petition.

### *Taken from the Files of Last Year.*

On motion of Mr. Gilman, the clerk was directed to take from the files of last year the order “that the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation relative to the suppression of the business of lotteries, or of petitioning Congress for a general law for such purpose,” — and the same was submitted, under the rule, to the committee on Rules, for inspection.

Lotteries, suppression of.

### *Petitions, etc.*

The following petitions, etc., were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Champlin, a petition of Henry Denver and others that they may be incorporated as a savings bank in the city of Boston;

Boston, city of, — savings bank.

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Baker, a petition of the public water board of the city of Lynn for legislation to secure the more effectual collection of water rates in certain cases;

Lynn, city of, — collection of water rates.

To the committee on Cities.

Trout  
artificially  
propagated,  
sale of.

By the same Senator, a petition of Arthur B. Breed and others for legislation permitting the sale of trout artificially propagated ;

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
agents in no-  
license cities  
and towns.

By Mr. Hickox, a petition of John H. Clark and others ; and by Mr. Clark, a petition of Wm. Brown and others, severally, — that cities and towns voting not to license the sale of intoxicating liquor may be empowered to provide through their own agents for the sale of liquor for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes, and that in such cases no licenses of the sixth class shall be granted ; and

Intoxicating  
liquors, use of,  
as a beverage in  
certain places.

By Mr. Gilman, a petition of B. B. Johnson for legislation which will more effectually prevent the use as a beverage, on the premises of licensees, other than those of the first class, of intoxicating liquors purchased on said premises ;

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Old Men's  
Home of the  
city of  
Worcester.

By Mr. Thayer, a petition of Edwin T. Marble for change of name of the Old Men's Home of the city of Worcester ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Assistant clerk  
of South Boston  
municipal  
court, salary of.

By Mr. McNary, a petition of Adrian B. Smith, assistant clerk of the municipal court of the South Boston district of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary ; and

Chief of district  
police, salary  
of.

By Mr. Reade of Suffolk, a petition of Rufus R. Wade that the salary of the chief of the district police may be increased ;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Woburn, city  
of, — 250th anni-  
versary cele-  
bration.

By Mr. Wyer, a petition of the mayor of the city of Woburn for authority to raise money for the purpose of celebrating the 250th anniversary of its incorporation as a town and of publishing an account of said proceedings ;

Marriage certi-  
ficates, false  
issuance of.

By Mr. McDonald, a petition of H. L. Grout and others for legislation providing a penalty for the false or fraudulent issuing of marriage certificates ;

Solicitor-  
General, office  
of.

By Mr. West, a petition of the Citizen's Law and Order League for a revival of the office of Solicitor-General with assistant Solicitors-General ;

Boston, city of,  
— violation of  
lottery laws.

By Mr. McNary, a petition of N. Matthews, Jr., for such amendment of the laws as will render it easier to

secure conviction for violation of the lottery laws in the city of Boston ;

By Mr. Gilman, a petition of the New England Chautauqua Sunday School Assembly for legislation to enable it to carry out its rules and regulations and to enforce the same ; and

New England  
Chautauqua  
Sunday School  
Assembly.

By the same Senator, a petition of B. B. Johnson and others for legislation to enable societies organized for educational, literary or moral purposes which hold sessions and charge an admission fee, to enforce their rules and regulations and preserve order in and about their premises ;

Public enter-  
tainments, pres-  
ervation of  
order at.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Smith, a remonstrance of Edward L. Hill and others against the discontinuance of the sessions of the Probate Court for the county of Worcester in the town of Templeton ;

Templeton,  
town of, —  
sessions of  
Probate Court.

To the committee on Probate and Insolvency,

### *Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. McDonald, —

*Ordered,* That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for the appointment of two additional justices of the Superior Court.

Superior Court,  
additional  
justices of.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

*Ordered,* That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider and report whether any additional legislation is necessary to prevent the sale of tickets in the Louisiana Lottery in this State.

Louisiana  
Lottery, — sale  
of tickets.

On motion of Mr. Baker, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing for a uniform system of accounts of cities, other than Boston, and for their supervision and examination by the Controller of County Accounts or by some other system of State supervision of said accounts ; and for the expense of the same.

Accounts of  
cities, examina-  
tion of.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing that all ballots cast at national, State, municipal or town elections be counted by officers other than those who receive the same at the various polling places.

Election laws, —  
counting of  
ballots.

Election  
laws, — mark-  
ing of ballots.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of preventing the use, in marking ballots, of anything except black pencils.

Election laws,  
— vacant  
spaces on  
ballots.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending the law so that there shall be no vacant spaces left upon ballots except those used for marking purposes.

Election offi-  
cers, — count-  
ing of ballots.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of changing the method of appointing and paying election officers or of providing for the counting of all ballots cast in cities at one point.

Election law,  
— payment of  
taxes by  
political com-  
mittees.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation to forbid the payment of the taxes of voters by political committees or by persons other than those upon whom the taxes are assessed.

Voters, qualifi-  
cation of.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of abolishing the poll tax qualification as a prerequisite for voting in city and town elections.

Election Laws,  
— recount of  
votes.

On motion of Mr. Meade, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws, consider the expediency of repealing all laws authorizing a recount of the votes cast at any election, and of providing, in place thereof, that all votes cast at any State, city or town elections for any officer or upon any question submitted to the people, shall be counted in full within six days following such election, by, or under direction of, the mayor and aldermen, selectmen or some other board or officer, and that such board or officer be authorized to employ clerical assistance in such work.

Id.

On the motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 104 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing that no recount of votes, authorized by said section shall be made

unless one or more of the defeated candidates for the office for which a recount is desired, receives ninety per cent., at least, of the entire vote cast for a candidate elected to that office, or unless some error is shown to exist on the returns of the election officers; also that the board of aldermen be authorized to employ clerical assistance when such recounts are made.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 81 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing for an increase in the weight of the paper furnished for ballots, or that paper specially prepared for the purpose, shall be furnished by the Secretary of the State for use at all State, and town elections.

Election laws,  
— ballot paper.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of requesting the Senators and Representatives of this Commonwealth in Congress to use their efforts to secure the enactment of such laws as will prevent the use of the mails by the Louisiana Lottery Company and other lottery companies.

Lottery companies, use of  
mails by.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of prohibiting the sale of clothing manufactured under unsanitary and unhealthful conditions.

Clothing made  
in unhealthy  
places, sale of.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of legislation in relation to the consolidation or union of corporations chartered or authorized to supply gas or electricity, or both, for light, heat or power, and in relation to the sale and transfer of the property and franchises of such corporations.

Gas or electric  
companies, con-  
solidation of.

On motion of Mr. Coveney, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the assistant librarian to \$3,000 per annum.

Assistant  
librarian,  
salary of.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of requiring the several towns and

Schedules of  
valuation, pub-  
lication of.

cities in the Commonwealth, beginning with the year 1893, to publish, as often as once in three or five years, a schedule of valuation with the amount of tax levied upon each piece or parcel of real estate within their individual limits with the name of person or persons against whom said property may be assessed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Butler, —

Criminal cases,  
trial of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 11 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, relating to Superior Courts, so that the provisions thereof shall be limited to trials of criminal cases.

On motion of the same Senator, —

Board of Gas  
and Electric  
Light Com-  
missioners,  
powers of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of authorizing the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, or any of them, in all cases requiring investigation by them, to summon witnesses, administer oaths and take testimony, to provide for the fees and travel of witnesses in attendance before said board, and to compel the attendance of such witnesses and the giving of testimony.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

Civil service  
rules, exemp-  
tion from.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 15 of chapter 320 of the Acts of the year 1884, so as to define more specifically the classes of officers exempted from the civil service rules.

On motion of Mr. McDonald, —

Notice of  
injury, — ex-  
tension of time.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 3 of chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, as amended by chapter 155 of the Acts of the year 1888, known as the Employers' Liability Act, so as to provide for longer time in which to give the notice of the time, place and cause of injury, required by said acts.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, —

Improper  
advertisements.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of the enactment of a law to prevent the public distribution of circulars and other advertisements relative to private diseases and other improper printed matter.



On motion of Mr. Baker, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the mechanics' lien laws of this Commonwealth that the same shall be uniform as to all parties, whether performing or furnishing labor or materials, and so that the same shall afford the same protection to all parties performing or furnishing labor or materials.

*Mechanics' lien laws.*

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

##### Bills

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith; and

*Appropriations.*

Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the Act relative to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth;

*Id.*

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

A Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Charles F. Loring (introduced on leave in the House), was read. On motion of Mr. Fernald, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

*Charles F. Loring, widow of.*

A Bill to amend sections 53 and 54 of chapter 390 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled: "An Act to amend and codify the statutes relating to the collection of taxes" (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Taxation.

*Taxes, collection of.*

#### *Message from the Governor.*

A message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a report of a committee of experts of the Massachusetts Medical Society, relative to the establishment by the Commonwealth of an institution for epileptics, said institution to be in the form of cottage hospitals, — was, with the accompanying report, referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

*Message from the Governor, — State institution for epileptics.*

#### *Annual Report.*

The annual report of the Inspector of Gas and Gas Meters, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Manufactures.

*Inspector of Gas and Gas Meters, report of.*

*Abstract of Returns of Liquor Licenses.*

Intoxicating  
liquors, — ab-  
stract of returns  
of licenses.

The abstract of returns, received from the several cities and towns by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, under the requirements of section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, showing the number of licenses issued for the sale of intoxicating liquors, etc., was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on the Liquor Law.

*House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Norfolk County,  
— district court.

Petitions of Bracey Curtis and others ; Nelson E. Newell and others ; George E. Craig and others ; Charles H. Deane and others ; and the selectmen and other citizens of Foxborough, — severally, for the establishment of a new district court in Norfolk County ;

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Collateral lega-  
cies and suc-  
cessions, taxa-  
tion of.

A petition of Francis Buttrick and others for the repeal of the Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions ;

To the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Boston, city of,  
— widow of  
Nicholas A.  
Apollonio.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Boston that the said city may be authorized to pay to the widow of Nicholas A. Apollonio, late city registrar, the balance of the salary which would have been payable to said Apollonio ;

Brockton, city  
of, — city hall.

A petition of the city of Brockton for authority to incur indebtedness, in excess of the limit fixed by law, for building a city hall ;

Brockton, city  
of, — rate of  
taxation.

A petition of the city of Brockton for further exemption from the provisions of the law limiting the rate of taxation in cities ; and

Brockton, city  
of, — assistant  
assessors.

A petition of the city of Brockton for an amendment of its charter so as to provide that the assistant assessors shall be appointed annually by the mayor and aldermen ;

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Brockton, city  
of, — sewers.

A petition of the city of Brockton for authority to incur indebtedness, in excess of the limit fixed by law, for constructing a system of sewerage ;

To the committee on Drainage.

A petition of E. G. Pond and others for an amendment of chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, so as to permit the shooting of wild fowl from a sail-boat; and

A petition of Hiram F. Hurlbut for legislation authorizing the sale of trout artificially propagated in certain cases;

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petitions of A. C. Harding and others; and C. E. Gould and others, — severally, that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor;

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

A petition of the Washington Mills Company for authority to increase its general capital stock and to redeem its preferred stock;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of Charles K. Darling and others that regularly organized camps of Sons of Veterans may be permitted to equip themselves and parade as armed bodies; and

A petition of H. C. Hall that the widow of George F. Hubbard may be made eligible to receive State aid;

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

A petition of Levi C. McKinstry for the incorporation of a religious society by the name of the Tremont Advent-  
Christian Campmeeting Association;

To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

A petition of the special justices of the district court of Northern Berkshire for an increase of salary; and

A petition of Enos T. Luce, justice of the second district court of Eastern Middlesex, for an increase of salary;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

A petition of 70 members of the Boston Chamber of Commerce in favor of interchangeable mileage tickets;

To the committee on Railroads.

A petition of the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to extend its tracks into the towns of Milton, Braintree and Weymouth, and the city of Boston;

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Wild fowl.

Trout artificially propagated, sale of.

Intoxicating liquors, — agents.

Washington Mills Company.

Sons of Veterans.

Widow of George F. Hubbard.

Tremont Advent-Christian Campmeeting Association.

Special justices of the district court of Northern Berkshire, salary of.

Justice of the second district court of Eastern Middlesex, salary of.

Railroads, — mileage tickets.

Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company.

Woman  
suffrage.

Petitions of W. L. Nickerson and others; and Aurelia F. Maine and others,—severally, for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers;  
Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

### *House Orders.*

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence:—

Elections,—  
registering of  
ballots.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to elections, by striking out so much thereof as relates to the self-registering of ballots deposited in the ballot-boxes, furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and used at all elections held within said Commonwealth.

Elections,—  
counting of  
ballots.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so as to provide that the provisions thereof relating to the opening of ballot-boxes and the taking of ballots therefrom to be counted may also apply to all voting precincts in the Commonwealth.

Meters, registra-  
tion of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such amendments to the registration laws as may be necessary to secure a full, complete and thorough system of registration, and to remedy and supply all defects in such laws occasioned by the adoption of the amendment to the Constitution abolishing the payment of a poll-tax as a prerequisite to voting.

Town clerks not  
to be registrars  
of voters.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending the existing laws so that the town clerks will cease to be members of boards of registrars of voters but continue to be clerks of such boards.

Gas and gas  
meters, inspec-  
tion of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of requiring a more thorough inspection and regulation of the manufacture of gas, of meters, and the appliances, instruments and pipes used in the distribution or out-put of gas.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of requiring more complete returns of gas corporations doing business in this State, to the end that consumers, and holders of stock may be adequately protected. Gas corporations, returns of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of reducing and regulating the price of gas. Gas.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of so amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, that the vote required by section two of said act need not pass each branch of the city council and receive the approval of the mayor in the city of Boston in more than one municipal year. Boston, city of, — municipal lighting.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The question on concurring in the reference to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, of the following House petition, postponed from yesterday, was considered: —

A petition of the mayor of the city of Boston that action may be taken for the adoption of an amendment to the Constitution authorizing the taking of an entire tract of land in certain cases, when an improvement in the location of a highway would necessitate taking a portion of such tract. Land taken for street improvements.

Mr. Champlin moved that the petition be referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Constitutional Amendments, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

### YEAS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.

Messrs. Meade, William E.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Nichols, George K.  
Ray, William F.  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S. — 14.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
 Carter, Richard A.  
 Coveney, John W.  
 Dame, Luther  
 Drury, John E.  
 Kennedy, Patrick J.  
 McNary, William S.  
 Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
 Parkman, Henry  
 Provin, William  
 Raymond, Francis H.  
 Read, John (Middlesex)  
 Reade, John (Suffolk)  
 Shaw, Edward P.  
 West, William H. — 16.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
 Baker, Charles H.  
 Eaton, William N.  
 Hickox, Stephen A.  
 Howard, Robert

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
 Simpkins, John  
 Thayer, John R.  
 Wyer, Edwin F. — 9.

So the motion was lost. The petition was then referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

## The Senate bills

## Senate bills.

To extend the time for building a public highway bridge across the reserved channel in South Boston; and

To amend an Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions (as previously amended by the Senate);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

## Senate report.

The Senate Report of the committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of the Senate, recommending that the rules of the Senate of last year be adopted as the rules of the Senate for the year 1892, was accepted and the rules were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Smith, at sixteen minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, February 3, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of a Committee.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treas- Appropriations.  
ury, that the House Bill making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia and for other expenses of the military department, ought to pass ; and

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the House 14.  
Bill making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the Act relative to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for tomorrow for a second reading.

*Introduced on Leave.*

Mr. Shaw (on leave), introduced a Bill to provide a remedy in case of alleged violation of the law by fraternal beneficiary corporations, associations and societies, which was read and referred to the committee on Insurance. Fraternal beneficiary corporations, violation of law by.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Taken from the Files of Last Year.*

On motion of Mr. McDonald, the clerk was directed to take from the files of last year the petition of Heman S. Fay and others for the passage of a law disqualifying persons convicted and sentenced for acts of criminal misconduct from holding office by election or appointment under the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth, — and the same was, under the rule, submitted to the committee on Rules, for inspection. Criminals, holding of office by.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, the clerk was directed to take from the files of last year the petition of John W. District courts of Eastern Middlesex, attendance of officers upon.

Pettengill and others for the passage of an act authorizing the appointment of officers to attend upon district courts of Eastern Middlesex, — and the same was, under the rule, submitted to the committee on Rules, for inspection.

Lotteries, suppression of.

The order relative to the suppression of the business of lotteries, and petitioning Congress for a general law for such purpose, which was yesterday taken from the files of last year, was laid before the Senate and was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

*Petitions, etc.*

The following petitions, etc., were severally presented and referred : —

St. Johnsbury and Lake Champlain Railroad, bonds of, as investment.

By Mr. Raymond, a petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad that savings banks and institutions for savings may be authorized to invest in the bonds of the St. Johnsbury and Lake Champlain Railroad ; and

Williamstown Savings Bank.

By Mr. Mott, a petition of Keyes Danforth that he and associates may be incorporated as the Williamstown Savings Bank ;

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

New Bedford, city of, — bonds for park purposes.

By Mr. Butler, a petition of the mayor of the city of New Bedford that said city may be authorized to issue bonds for park purposes ; and

Marlborough, city of, — Superintendent of Schools.

By Mr. McDonald, a petition of a committee appointed by the city council of the city of Marlborough for an amendment of the charter of said city so as to make the appointment of superintendent of schools as secretary of the board, optional with the school committee ;

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Schools, compulsory attendance at.

By Mr. Read of Middlesex, a petition of the Massachusetts Teachers' Association for a revision of the law concerning compulsory attendance at school and relative to truants and their support ; that the law relative to the election of school teachers by committees be made to apply to superintendents and supervisors ; and for the establishment of a board of State examiners ;

To the committee on Education.

Great Council of the Improved Order of Red Men of Massachusetts.

By Mr. Provin, a petition of Charles H. Litchman and others that the organization known as the " Great Council of the Improved Order of Red Men of Massachusetts," may



be incorporated and authorized to hold real and personal estate for the purposes of its incorporation ;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Parkman, a petition of the trustees of the Massachusetts General Hospital for an appropriation from the State treasury ; and

Massachusetts General Hospital.

By Mr. McEttrick, a petition of Alice G. Parker that a woman may be appointed as a member of the Commissioners of Public Institutions of the city of Boston ;

Boston, city of, — appointment of woman as Commissioner of Public Institutions.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Nichols, a petition of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy for an appropriation of \$2,000 from the State treasury ;

Board of Registration in Pharmacy.

To the committee on Public Health.

By Mr. McDonald, a petition of John L. Ambrose, first assistant clerk of courts for the county of Middlesex, for increase of salary ;

First assistant clerk of courts for Middlesex County, salary of.

By the same Senator, a petition of William C. Dillingham, second assistant clerk of courts for the county of Middlesex, for an increase of salary ; and

Second assistant clerk of courts for Middlesex County, salary of.

By Mr. Baker, a petition of John R. Baldwin and others that the salary of the clerk of the police court of Lynn may be increased ;

Clerk of police court of Lynn, salary of.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Gilman, a petition of the mayor of the city of Newton for the abolition of grade crossings in said city ;

Newton, city of, — grade crossings.

To the committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Hickox, a petition of Albert B. Currier and others for the better and further taxation of chattels, the disposal of taxes derived therefrom, the relief of mortgages, and the prohibition of contracts to assume taxes on mortgage loans not laid by existing laws ;

Chattels, taxation of.

To the committee on Taxation.

By Mr. Stevens, a petition of H. N. Slater and others for the incorporation of a fire district in the town of Webster ;

Webster, town of, — fire district.

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Barre, discontinuance of sessions of Probate Court in.

By Mr. Smith, remonstrances of Albert L. Wiley and others; Henry C. Longley and others; Charles Brimblecom and others; and Elisha Webb and others, — severally, against the discontinuance of the sessions of the Probate Court in the town of Barre;

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

*Orders Adopted.*

Mr. Read of Middlesex, offered the following order, which was adopted: —

Boston, city of,  
— Board of  
Overseers of the  
Poor.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of vesting in the board of overseers of the poor of the city of Boston the care and control of all institutions for the care of paupers having a settlement in said city, and the administration of all matters connected with the admission and discharge of said paupers.

Subsequently, Mr. Parkman moved that the vote by which the order was adopted, be reconsidered, and this motion was, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Smith, —

Land, titles to.

*Ordered,* That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as shall permit the Supreme Judicial Court to make a decree or pass an order affecting persons without this Commonwealth and persons unknown and not ascertained and their title to lands in said Commonwealth held adversely for a term of not less than twenty years.

On motion of the same Senator, —

District attorneys and assistants, salaries of.

*Ordered,* That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the district attorneys of the Commonwealth and the assistant district attorneys of the county of Suffolk or any of them to such sum or sums as shall be commensurate with the duties now required of them by law and the additional duties to be imposed upon them by the recommendation of the Attorney General in his annual report concerning the argument of exceptions in criminal cases.

On motion of Mr. Hickox, —

Dairy Bureau, compensation of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of suitable compensation to the Dairy

Bureau for time actually employed and expenses incurred in the work of the bureau.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of providing some method or methods for the destruction of foxes, skunks and other predatory vermin that are destructive of poultry, sheep and lambs. Foxes, skunks, etc., destruction of.

On motion of Mr. Meade, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing cities and towns to purchase land for the purpose of laying out and widening streets or ways within their limits. Widening of streets or ways, purchase of land for.

On motion of Mr. Ray, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of legislation to provide for biennial election of State and county officers, and members of the General Court. Biennial elections.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of legislation to provide for biennial sessions of the Legislature. Id.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of legislation to provide for biennial elections of State and county officers and members of the General Court, and annual sessions of the Legislature. Biennial elections and biennial sessions of the General Court.

On motion of Mr. Smith, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Drainage consider the expediency of such legislation as will permit towns to adopt a system of sewerage and assess the cost or a part thereof upon the abutters, according to the value of the estates to be benefited thereby, less the value of the buildings thereon; and to determine the proportional part of the cost of sewers and main drains which shall be borne by the town; and to limit or determine the time within which assessments for the construction of sewers and main drains shall be made upon the estates benefited thereby. Sewerage in towns, systems of.

On motion of Mr. Smith, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of requiring the State to furnish, Elections, — marking of ballots.

and voters to use in marking their ballots, some peculiar or special pencil, stamp or punch.

On motion of the same Senator, —

Elections, —  
specimen ballots  
and cards of  
instruction.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as shall require the Secretary of the Commonwealth to send cards of instruction and specimen ballots, separate from the official ballots, and shall require city and town clerks to cause the same to be posted up in the polling places on the day of election prior to the opening of the polls.

On motion of the same Senator, —

Voters, qualifi-  
cation of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as shall make assessment of a tax within two years a qualification and prerequisite for registration and voting.

On motion of the same Senator, —

Election offi-  
cers, compensa-  
tion of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of fixing the compensation of election officers and tellers at elections.

On motion of the same Senator, —

Boston, city of,  
— powers and  
duties of city  
clerk, at  
elections.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as shall transfer the duties and powers of the city clerk of Boston, relative to elections, to the Board of Registrars of said city.

On motion of the same Senator, —

Ballot Commis-  
sioners, com-  
pensation of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing for the compensation of the ballot commissioners appointed by the Governor.

On motion of the same Senator, —

Election offi-  
cers, examina-  
tions of returns  
of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing for the examination of returns of election officers in towns divided into voting precincts, and for the correction of errors discovered therein.

On motion of the same Senator, —

Elections, —  
counting and  
canvassing of  
votes.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of repealing chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to a uniform system of counting and

canvassing votes, and of such legislation as shall provide for a simple method or system of counting and canvassing votes.

On motion of Mr. Meade, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending sections 1 and 3 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, by striking out the word “city,” wherever it occurs; also of amending section 4 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, by striking out the whole of said section or the part of said section which requires separate canvasses of each block of ballots; also of amending section 4 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, by providing that votes at all elections shall be canvassed by officers to be specially appointed for that purpose on account of their fitness and to be called “counters,” and that their duties be defined by statute; also of amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing that the ballot box may be opened and the ballots counted while the polls are open.

Elections, —  
counting and  
canvassing of  
votes.

On motion of Mr. Meade, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 75 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by increasing the number of regular election officers and decreasing the number of deputy officers; by extending the time for filling vacancies in such offices until the first day of December; by providing that no deputy officer shall serve in place of a regular officer at any election, unless the principal for whom he was appointed deputy is absent at the opening of the polls, and that such deputy shall then serve the entire day; also of amending section 78 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by extending the time for the removal of election officers to the day set for closing registration of voters for the annual town and city elections.

Election  
officers.

On motion of Mr. Butler, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of so amending chapter 91 of the Public Statutes that the mayor and aldermen of cities and the selectmen of towns shall have no power or authority to grant licenses to set and maintain weirs, pounds, traps or other stationary apparatus for taking fish in the waters of Buzzard's Bay.

Weirs, pounds,  
etc., licenses to  
set.

District Police,  
— labor laws,  
etc.

On motion of Mr. Howard, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of giving the District Police greater powers in the enforcement of labor laws, so called; also of extending and more clearly defining the jurisdiction of the courts in relation thereto; and providing forms of complaints for violations of any of said laws.

Private bodies  
of armed men.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation to prohibit the hiring and use of private bodies of armed men who are non-residents of the State by private individuals or corporations.

Dorchester  
Gas Light  
Company.

On motion of Mr. West, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Manufactures inquire and report upon the expediency of re-enacting chapter 372 of the Acts of the year 1887, entitled: "An Act in relation to the Dorchester Gas Light Company," and of extending the provisions of said act so as to authorize the union of such gas light and electric light companies as have been already established for furnishing light in the same, or contiguous territories, subject however in all cases to the consent of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

Nails.

On motion of Mr. Nutter, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Manufactures be requested to consider and report whether any, and if so what, changes are desirable in sections 56, 57, 58, 59 and 60 of chapter 60 of the Public Statutes, relating to nails.

Boston, city of,  
— classification  
of prisoners at  
Deer Island.

On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of providing for the grading and classification of prisoners confined in the House of Industry at Deer Island.

Boston, city of,  
— confinement  
of prisoners at  
Deer Island.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of authorizing and requiring the city of Boston to construct additional cells for prisoners confined in the House of Industry at Deer Island.

Report of Com-  
mission ap-  
pointed by

On motion of Mr. Kimball, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Railroads consider the

expediency of such legislation as may be necessary to prevent the carrying into effect of the report of the commission appointed by the Superior Court to consider the separation and changing the several grade crossings of the New York, New Haven and Hartford, Connecticut River and Boston and Maine Railroads in the city of Northampton.

Superior Court  
on certain grade  
crossing  
matters.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of including in the crime of embezzlement the acts of brokers who fraudulently convert to their own use money or securities deposited with them for specific purposes, or upon definite instructions.

Embezzlement.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider what legislation is necessary to make effectual the laws for the suppression of lotteries, lottery policies and other schemes and games of chance.

Lotteries, etc.,  
suppression of.

On motion of Mr. Mott, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire whether any further legislation is necessary or expedient in relation to the liability of railroad corporations for fires communicated by their locomotive engines, or in relation to insurance by owners of property injured thereby, so that the net amount received in such insurance may be deducted from the damages caused by such fires.

Fires started by  
locomotives.

*Laid Over.*

Mr. McDonald offered the following order, and the consideration thereof was, at the request of Mr. Parkman, postponed until to-morrow : —

*Ordered*, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners be instructed to make a special report to this Legislature, within thirty days from the passage of this order, as follows : —

Board of  
Gas and Elec-  
tric Light Com-  
missioners, —  
Boston Gas  
Company.

1. Whether or not the Boston Gas Company has, within the past six months, made any advances in its charges for gas.

2. At what price the Boston Gas Company can manufacture gas delivered in its holders, and pay dividends of eight per cent. on its capital stock, and provide for all needed renewals and extensions of its plant.

3. To what extent the Boston Gas Company is hiring the use of pipes from another corporation at an excessive rental, and to what extent the Boston Gas Company is paying another corporation one dollar per thousand feet for gas, which it could manufacture for thirty-five cents per thousand feet.

4. As to whether the charter of the Bay State Gas Company ought not to be revoked, because, having been chartered for the purpose of competing with the Boston Gas Company, its sole purpose is now to divert the surplus earnings of the Boston Gas Company into the treasury of a foreign corporation known as the Bay State Gas Company of Delaware.

The Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, for the purpose of this investigation and report, are hereby empowered to order the production of books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

Mr. Coveney offered the following order and the consideration thereof was, at the request of Mr. Parkman, postponed until to-morrow : —

Board of  
Gas and Elec-  
tric Light Com-  
missioners, —  
Boston Gas  
Company and  
other gas  
companies.

*Ordered*, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners be instructed to make a special report to this Legislature, within thirty days from the passage of this order, as follows : —

1. Whether or not the Boston Gas Company or other gas companies have, within the past six months, made any advances in their charges for gas.

2. At what price the Boston Gas Company and other gas companies can manufacture gas delivered in their holders, and at what rate they can sell gas to their customers and pay dividends of eight per cent. on their capital stock and provide for all needed renewals and extensions of their plant.

3. To what extent the Boston Gas Company and other gas companies are hiring the use of pipes from another corporation at an excessive rental, and to what extent the Boston Gas Company and other gas companies are paying another corporation one dollar per thousand feet for gas which they could manufacture for thirty-five cents per thousand feet.

4. As to whether the charter of the Bay State Gas Company ought not to be revoked, because, having been chartered for the purpose of competing with the Boston



Gas Company, its sole business is now to divert the surplus earnings of the Boston Gas Company into the treasury of a foreign corporation, known as the Bay State Gas Company of Delaware.

The Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, for the purpose of this investigation and report, are hereby empowered to order the production of books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

# PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill making appropriations for certain educational expenses, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury. Appropriations.

A Report of the committee on Labor, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to prohibiting within this Commonwealth the manufacture of garments under the so-called sweating system and of prohibiting the sale of garments so manufactured, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on Public Health, was read and accepted, in concurrence. Sweating system.

A Bill relating to so-called endowment companies (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Insurance. Endowment societies.

A Bill relative to appointments on the Governor's staff (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs. Governor's staff, appointments on.

The House petition of the overseers of the poor of the town of Oxford that said town may be reimbursed for the amount expended for the support of Sarah B. Dodge at the Danvers Lunatic Hospital, came up, the House having receded from its reference to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and concurred in the reference to the committee on Expenditures. Oxford, town of,—reimbursement for money expended for support of a pauper.

## *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence :—

A petition of Ralph Warner and others for an act of incorporation as the Granite Loan and Trust Company; To the committee on Banks and Banking. Granite Loan and Trust Company.

Everett, town  
of, — city  
charter.

A petition of the town of Everett for incorporation as a city ;

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Cities, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Ipswich, town  
of, — grammar  
school.

A petition of the feoffees of the grammar school in Ipswich for leave to sell real estate and invest the proceeds in some other manner, for school purposes ;

To the committee on Education.

Brockton, city  
of, — poll tax.

A petition of the city of Brockton for such legislation as will permit voting at municipal elections without the requirement of the payment of a poll-tax ;

To the committee on Election Laws.

Joanna L. Cox.

A petition of Joanna L. Cox of Duxbury for continuation of her late husband's annuity (taken from the House files of last year) ;

To the committee on Expenditures.

Wild fowl.

A petition of Stephen C. Devlin and others for legislation permitting the pursuing of wild fowl with a sail boat ;

Trout arti-  
ficially propa-  
gated, sale of.

A petition of E. T. Rounsville and others for legislation permitting the sale of trout artificially propagated ;

Buzzard's Bay,  
— fisheries.

A petition of John I. Bryant and others of Fairhaven for the modification of the law prohibiting seining in the waters of Buzzard's Bay ;

Id.

A petition of Lilburne Hiller and others for legislation allowing the selectmen of the towns on Buzzard's Bay to grant licenses to set gill nets within one-quarter mile of the shore ;

Trout.

A petition of H. H. Chilson and others for legislation prohibiting the sale of trout less than six inches in length ; and

Lobsters.

Petitions of William S. Mayhew and others ; Charles H. Ryan and others ; Allen M. Athearn and others ; and P. M. Stuart and others, — severally, for legislation permitting the sale of lobsters nine and one-half inches in length ;

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
employment of  
women.

A petition of William H. Yates for legislation to prevent the employment of women on premises where intoxicating liquors are sold ; and

Petitions of D. B. Cole and others; Rebecca Mercer and others; M. J. C. Russell and others; George E. Seagrave and others; Jennie M. Peck and others; R. R. Jones and others; and W. H. Woodwell and others, — severally, that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor;

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
agents.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

A petition of Charles J. Scanlan and others for incorporation as the Suffolk Real Estate Association; and

Suffolk Real  
Estate Associa-  
tion.

A petition of the Waltham Hospital Corporation for authority to hold additional property;

Waltham  
Hospital  
Corporation.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of Owen Dolan that he may be made eligible to receive State aid;

Owen Dolan.

To the committee on Military Affairs.

A petition of Edward Fairbanks that the acts of the First Congregational Church of West Warren may be ratified, and that it may be authorized to sell its property;

First Congrega-  
tional Church  
of West War-  
ren.

To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

A petition of the officers of Typographical Union No. 13 for an investigation into the methods of awarding State printing, also for the establishment of a State printing office; and for a nine-hour day and equal wages for printers employed on State work;

State printing.

To the committee on Printing.

A petition of Thomas Gallaudet and others for an appropriation for the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes; and

New England  
Industrial  
School for Deaf  
Mutes.

A petition of the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association for an annual appropriation of \$10,000;

Massachusetts  
State Firemen's  
Association.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

A petition of the clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district for an increase of salary;

Clerk of the  
municipal court  
of the Roxbury  
district, salary  
of.

To the committee on Public Service.

A petition of W. H. H. Cheney and others for legislation requiring railroad companies to maintain a suitable crossing to land cut off from the highway by a railroad;

Railroads, —  
private cross-  
ings.

To the committee on Railroads.

West End  
Street Railway  
Company,—  
record of acci-  
dents.

A petition of John Storer Cobb for legislation compelling the West End Street Railway Company to keep a record of accidents;

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Woman suf-  
frage.

A petition of M. J. C. Russell and others that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections; and

Id.

Petitions of Sarah A. Fales and others; Edward Twitchell and others; Robert S. Moore and others; George E. Seagrave and others; and Jennie M. Peck and others,—severally, for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

### *House Orders.*

The following House order was considered :—

Semi-monthly  
payment of  
employees in  
State institu-  
tions.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation necessary for the payment of all employees in the institutions of the State semi-monthly, instead of monthly, as now is done.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, the order was amended by striking out the word “Labor,” and inserting in place thereof the words, “Public Service.” The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence :—

Fire escapes.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 1 of chapter 426 of the Acts of the year 1888, as to provide that safe ways of egress from a burning structure to the ground shall be required, by means of incombustible stairways, enclosed by fire proof walls, either inside or outside of all such buildings.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of such legislation as shall cause a full investigation of the causes leading to abandoned farms, and the general decline of agriculture in Massachusetts.

Abandoned farms.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of authorizing the selectmen of towns to use means to the end that the common caterpillar and cankerworm may be exterminated along the public highways.

Caterpillars and cankerworms.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of enabling the city of Boston to make annual appropriations for hospitals other than the City Hospital.

Boston, city of, — appropriations for hospitals.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of increasing the term of office of members of the common council of the city of Boston, by providing that at the next municipal election, one member from each ward shall be elected for three years, one for two years, and one for one year, and every year thereafter, one member for three years.

Boston, city of, — common council.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of further legislation regarding the qualification and method of selecting precinct officers and returning boards at State and municipal elections, and all other matters relating to the duty of election officers and those having custody of ballots or subsequent counts or revisions.

Elections, — election officers.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending the present election laws so as to secure greater secrecy of the ballot when a voter is challenged.

Elections, — challenges.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing that in elections held under the Australian system in towns, the tellers shall be appointed by the selectmen instead of by the moderator, as now provided.

Town elections, — tellers.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending the law prohibiting seining in the waters of Buzzard's Bay, so that persons

Buzzard's Bay, — fisheries.

engaged in the cod-fishing business, who reside in the towns bordering on said bay, may be licensed to catch with seines from the waters of said bay, bait necessary for their said business.

Insurance, —  
policy holders.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, and acts amendatory thereof, so as to provide for the better protection of the interests of the certificate or policy holders.

Insurance, —  
medical examination.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending section 65 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to provide that when an insurance policy is issued upon the life of any person, without a previous medical examination, the age or physical condition of the insured shall not, in such cases, be set up as a bar against the payment of the full amount of said policy or any part thereof.

Insurance, —  
endowment policies.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of repealing so much of the charters of corporations organized or transacting business under section 8 of chapter 341 of the Acts of the year 1890, as permits them to issue endowment policies and pay specified sums of money to members or certificate holders, during the lifetime of said members or certificate holders, except in cases of sickness or disability; also to provide for a proper distribution among the contributors of any funds now held as a reserve to pay certificates or policies maturing by lapse of time.

Armed bodies  
of men, employment of, by corporations.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of prohibiting the employment by any person or corporation of armed forces other than the officers of the law; also, the appointment of special officers, whether under the name of police officers or any other name, who are not residents of this Commonwealth.

Public libraries  
in towns.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Library consider the expediency of providing that \$100 for books shall be given by the Commonwealth to small towns which had established libraries before the passage of chapter 347 of the Acts of the year 1890, giving \$100 for books to new libraries, and to towns which shall establish and maintain branch libraries in their smaller villages.

*Ordered,* That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing that the vote upon the question: "Shall licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor be granted in the city (or town)," shall hereafter be taken every third year, instead of annually as is now done.

Intoxicating  
liquors,—vote  
on the question  
of granting  
licenses.

*Ordered,* That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of changing the local option law so that the period of time during which a no-license vote shall hold may be during three years; and the territory voting simultaneously shall be by counties instead of by municipalities.

Id.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, and of changing the name of said officer.

Commissioner  
of Foreign  
Mortgage  
Corporations.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of legislation necessary to obtain a pension for the officers of the Massachusetts State Prison, after fifteen years of service, if incapacitated for duty, or if at any time while in the discharge of their duty they are rendered unfit for duty, to receive the same pension, and that the amount of said pension shall be one-half the amount per year that they were receiving at the time of their retirement.

State Prison,—  
pensions for  
officers.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of providing that the district police force shall hold office during good behavior and until removed for cause.

District police.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the third clerk in the insurance department.

Third clerk in  
the insurance  
department,  
salary of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of providing that the county or State assist towns whose valuations do not exceed three hundred thousand dollars, in the support of their highways.

Highways,  
maintenance of,  
in certain  
towns.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Street Railways be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties.

Street Rail-  
ways, com-  
mittee on.

Poll taxes, collection of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of providing that poll taxes may be collected on demand without previous notice.

Reservoirs and mill dams, examination of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of repealing chapter 315 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled : " An Act requiring the examination of reservoirs, reservoir dams and mill dams by county commissioners."

Truancy.

An order relative to the appointment of a State agent to secure the enforcement of the law relating to truancy and absentees from school (taken from the House files of last year), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Bills.

The bills

To authorize the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company to issue mortgage bonds ;

Making an appropriation for the Commonwealth's flats improvement fund ; and

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Provin, at twenty minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.



THURSDAY, February 4, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Hickox, from the committee on Agriculture, Massachusetts Agricultural College.  
on an order, a Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of James H. Hopkins and others, a Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association of Provincetown; Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Petitions.*

The petition of Heman S. Fay and others for the passage of a law disqualifying persons convicted and sentenced for acts of criminal misconduct from holding office by election or appointment under the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth, — which was, yesterday, ordered to be taken from the files of last year, was laid before the Senate and was referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments. Criminals, holding of office by.

Sent down for concurrence.

The petition of John W. Pettengill and others for the passage of an act authorizing the appointment of officers to attend upon district courts of Eastern Middlesex, — which was, yesterday, ordered to be taken from the files of last year, was laid before the Senate and was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. District courts of Eastern Middlesex, attendance of officers upon.

The following petitions (which were deposited with the clerk prior to adjournment on Wednesday, February 3) were severally presented and referred: —

By Mr. Nutter, a petition of Ziba C. Keith and others Plymouth County Safe

**Deposit and Trust Company.** for a charter as the Plymouth County Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

**Taxable property, assessors' valuation of.**

By Mr. Baker, a petition of the mayor of the city of Lynn, on behalf of the city council of said city, for the repeal of so much of section 1 of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, as relates to the average of the assessors' valuation of the taxable property for the three preceding years ;

To the committee on Cities.

**Elections, — use of sealed envelopes.**

By Mr. Read of Middlesex, a petition of Warner Johnson for an amendment of the election laws to dispense with the marking of ballots and to provide for voting in sealed envelopes by ballots printed at the public expense ; and

**Voters, legal residences of.**

By Mr. Baker, a petition of Cyrus A. Stone and others for a change in the law so that six months shall be the time required to establish a residence as a qualification for voting ;

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

**Money lending.**

By Mr. Champlin, a petition of George J. Moulton that the Senators of Massachusetts in Congress be instructed to vote for the passage of a resolution asking an investigation of the expenses attending the business of money lending ;

To the committee on Federal Relations.

**Falmouth, town of, — bridge to Devil's Foot Island.**

By Mr. McDonald, a petition of Horace S. Crowell for authority to build and maintain a bridge or way in the town of Falmouth from the mainland to Devil's Foot Island and from said island to Ram Island ;

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

**Springfield, city of, — electric wires underground.**

By Mr. Merritt, a petition of the mayor of the city of Springfield for legislation which will enable said city to make such ordinances and regulations as will require the placing of electric wires underground ;

**Fall River Real Estate Association.**

By Mr. Howard, a petition of Arnold B. Sanford and others for incorporation as the Fall River Real Estate Association ; and

**New England Hospital for Women and Children.**

By Mr. Parkman, a petition of the New England Hospital for Women and Children for leave to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Butler, a petition of Henry M. Williams and others, clerks of police, district and municipal courts, that their salaries may be established at a sum equal to three-fourths of the annual salaries of the justices of said courts; and

Clerks of police,  
district and  
municipal  
courts, salaries  
of.

By Mr. Coveney, a petition of Edward Quirk that the rules of the Civil Service Commission may be more clearly defined and a more equitable recognition of applicants for employment in any of the departments of the city of Boston may be secured;

Civil service  
rules.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. West, a petition of J. H. Benton, Jr., that the Old Colony Railroad Company and the city of Boston may be enabled to alter the railroad station, yards and tracks of said company, and the ways and streets now crossing said railroad at the same level in South Boston, so as to prevent such crossings;

Old Colony  
Railroad, —  
grade crossing  
at South  
Boston.

To the committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Ray, a petition of Robert S. Gray and others for legislation providing that vacancies in boards of trustees of public libraries may be filled by a joint ballot of selectmen and said board of trustees;

Public libraries,  
vacancies in  
boards of  
trustees of.

To the committee on Towns.

By Mr. Nutter, a petition of the Bridgewater Water Company for authority to issue a new series of bonds;

Bridgewater  
Water  
Company.

To the committee on Water Supply.

By Mr. Gilman, a petition of Lucy Stone and others that women be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections;

Woman suf-  
frage.

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

By Mr. McNary, a petition of John F. O'Sullivan that shipping masters may be licensed;

Shipping mas-  
ters, licenses for.

To the committee on the Judiciary.

### *Orders Adopted.*

The following orders (which were deposited with the clerk prior to adjournment on Wednesday, February 3) were severally laid before the Senate and adopted: —

On motion of Mr. Fernald, —

Fraternal  
beneficiary  
organizations.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations so as to confer exclusive and concurrent jurisdiction upon the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts in winding up the affairs of such corporations.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, —

Liens on build-  
ing materials.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as shall so amend chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, or of such further legislation as shall give a lien for materials furnished and actually used in the erection, alteration or repair of a building or structure upon real estate, to any person who shall furnish such material.

On motion of Mr. Butler, —

Legislative  
hearings, adver-  
tisement of.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 371 of the Acts of the year 1885, so as to ensure more efficient advertising of legislative committee hearings.

On motion of Mr. Southwick, —

Concentrated  
commercial  
feed stuffs, sale  
of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of enacting a law to regulate the sale of concentrated commercial feed stuffs.

On motion of Mr. Nutter, —

National banks  
to reorganize  
as safe deposit  
loan and trust  
companies.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of enabling national banks now doing business in this Commonwealth to reorganize as safe deposit and loan and trust companies.

On motion of Mr. Dame, —

Savings banks.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of amending the laws on banks and banking so that when a deposit is made in a savings bank or institution for savings, with conditions thereto attached, the corporation shall be bound to pay, and shall pay, when called upon, the party or parties entitled thereto, strictly according to said conditions, and a payment so made shall discharge the corporation from liability to any other party making claim thereto; and of providing that the executor of any will or the administrator

upon any estate, into whose possession a book or books of deposit in a savings bank or institution for savings shall be, or come, by reason of acting in said capacities, having conditions attached thereto, shall deliver to the party or parties, entitled by said conditions to receive the same, said books of deposit without including the amounts due in such books in their accounts as executor or administrator.

On motion of Mr. Baker, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of such legislation as will enable cities in the Commonwealth to consolidate their water and sewer departments and establish an annual sewer rate. Water and sewer departments, consolidation of.

On motion of Mr. McNary, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing for the election of twelve aldermen in the city of Boston by a general vote. Boston, city of, — aldermen.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing for an increase in the number of aldermen in the city of Boston to eighteen members, and for the election of twelve aldermen by districts and six aldermen-at-large by a general vote.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing for the increase of the number of aldermen in the city of Boston to eighteen or twenty-one members and the election of the aldermen of said city by the voters of the city at large, and providing a system of voting or representation by which the minority shall be represented upon said board.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending chapter 178 of the Acts of the year 1887, being an Act to provide for pensioning members of the Boston Police Department, so as to provide: (1) for the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the police department of the city of Boston who has served twenty years or more; (2) for the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the police department of said city who has been permanently injured while in discharge of his duties; (3) for the retirement Boston, city of — pensioning members of police department.

on an annual pension of any member of the police department of said city who shall have reached the age of sixty years ; and (4) for the payment of such persons from a police pension fund, supplied by annual appropriation of the city of Boston.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick,—

Compulsory  
school age.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of raising the compulsory school age to fifteen or sixteen years, and of providing that such shall be the compulsory school age in all towns and cities whether opportunity is given for industrial education or not.

On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex,—

Elections,—re-  
counting of bal-  
lots in cities.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of authorizing the board of aldermen in any city to employ through the city clerk, such clerical assistance as may be necessary to recount ballots cast in such city at any election, whenever a recount is called for as provided by law ; such recount to be under the supervision of the board of aldermen, a majority of the same being present.

On motion of Mr. McNary,—

Voters, regis-  
tration of, in  
1892.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of requiring a personal registration in the political year 1892 of all voters in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth and providing for such registration at certain intervals thereafter.

On motion of the same Senator,—

Gas, manufac-  
ture and sale of,  
by cities.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering cities and towns to manufacture, distribute and sell gas, so as to provide that the cities may manufacture, distribute and sell gas, under the authority of said act, and may be empowered to engage in said business without being required to purchase existing plants.

On motion of the same Senator,—

Id.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering municipalities to manufacture and distribute gas and elec-

tricity, so as to provide that cities may engage in the manufacture, distribution and sale of gas by a two-thirds vote of the board of aldermen, with the approval of the mayor, subject to the ratification of a majority of voters voting thereon at a municipal election, and so as to provide that when such ratification has been refused at a municipal election the question of ratification may again be submitted to the voters for ratification within two years thereafter.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of providing that some board or commission or boards or commissions of the Commonwealth shall have the power to regulate the character of the service and price or prices of service of telephone companies doing business within the Commonwealth.

Telephones,  
rentals of.

On motion of Mr. West, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation concerning the control of electric lights, telegraph and telephone companies so as to provide : —

Electric wires.

1. For a due and proper inspection of wires.
2. For placing the same below the surface of the soil.

On motion of Mr. McNary, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of establishing the office of a superintendent or supervisor of printing for the Commonwealth.

Superintendent  
of printing.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Printing consider and report what legislation is necessary in view of the expiration of the contract for State printing.

State printing,  
contract for.

On motion of Mr. Meade, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the additional clerk in the office of the Adjutant-General.

Additional  
clerk in office  
of Adjutant-  
General, salary  
of.

On motion of Mr. Raymond, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Railroads be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duty.

Railroads, com-  
mittee on.

Car couplings,  
uniform system  
of.

On motion of Mr. Coveney, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of enacting legislation to prevent the frequent occurrence of accidents resulting from defective car couplings, so as to provide for the compulsory adoption, by all railroads in this Commonwealth, of some uniform system of car couplings which shall conduce to greater safety in the operation of the railroads.

Boston, city of,  
— union rail-  
road stations.

On motion of Mr. McNary, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of providing for a union passenger station of the railroads entering Boston from the north and a union passenger station for the railroads entering Boston from the south and west.

Sleeping cars,  
taxation of.

On motion of Mr. West, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending the laws in relation to the amount of taxes so as to provide for the assessment of a tax upon all sleeping cars owned outside of this State and operated or coming within the limits of this Commonwealth.

Telegraph  
poles, etc.,  
taxation of.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of so amending the laws relating to taxation as to provide that all telegraph, telephone and electric light companies shall be assessed a tax on all poles erected or maintained by them in any city or town, the same to be paid into the treasury of such city or town.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

County com-  
missioners,  
vacancies in  
office of.

On motion of Mr. Hickox, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that vacancies occurring in the office of county commissioner in any county may be filled by the appointment of some suitable person by the remaining county commissioners and the clerk of the courts, or a majority of them; also, of providing for an election to fill such vacancy at the next annual election, following such appointment.

Sixth Councillor  
District, — elec-  
tion of successor  
to the late  
Charles F.  
Loring.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, —

*Ordered*, That the hour of two and one-half o'clock P.M., on Wednesday, February tenth, be assigned for the choice of a Councillor in the Sixth Councillor District, to



fill the vacancy existing in said district by reason of the death of Charles F. Loring.

*Laid Over.*

Mr. McNary offered the following order, and the consideration thereof was, at the request of Mr. Southwick, postponed until to-morrow : —

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Treasury ascertain and report in all cases where there appears an excess of expenditure over appropriations for the financial year 1891, for all commissions, boards and departments which show such excess, and the occasion of such excess of expenditure, together with the facts relating thereto.

Expenditures in excess of appropriations.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Resolve providing against depredations of the insect known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth (on the report of the State Board of Agriculture relative thereto), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Gypsy moth.

A Resolve in aid of the State Normal School at Framingham (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

State Normal School at Framingham.

A Resolve to provide for the publication of a new edition of the course of studies for ungraded schools, a new edition of the school laws and the purchase of educational books for the normal schools (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

Schools, — normal schools.

A Bill to amend an Act, entitled : “ An Act to protect the fisheries of the towns of Mashpee and Barnstable ” (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mashpee and Barnstable, towns of, — fisheries.

A Bill to amend an Act authorizing foreign manufacturing corporations to hold real estate (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Foreign manufacturing corporations.

A Bill to provide for pensioning officers of the State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory (introduced on

State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory.

leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Prisons.

William H.  
Robinson.

A Resolve in favor of William H. Robinson (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

### *Annual Report.*

Harbor and  
Land Commis-  
sioners, report  
of, on boundary  
line between  
city of Gloucester  
and towns  
of Essex and  
Ipswich.

So much of the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners as relates to the boundary lines between the city of Gloucester and the towns of Essex and Ipswich (taken from the House files of last year), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Joint special  
committee, —  
public reserva-  
tions.

The House order, — “That a joint special committee be appointed consisting of seven members on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, who shall inquire and report what legislation, if any, is advisable for the purpose of promoting the acquisition and preservation for enjoyment by the public, of more numerous commons and open spaces, located so as to include some of the finest scenery of the sea coasts, river banks, hill tops or other portions of the State, and of the neighborhood of Boston in particular,” — came up, the House having joined as the committee on its part, Messrs. Blodgett of Templeton, Bennett of Everett, Hoyt of Haverhill, Leonard of Waltham, McLean of Cambridge, Nichols of Southborough and Driscoll of Springfield.

### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Dukes County,  
county of, —  
judicial district.

A petition of Joseph V. Pease and others that the county of Dukes County may be constituted a judicial district ;

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Suffolk, county  
of, — court  
house.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for such amendments to the act creating the court house commission of the county of Suffolk as will tend to hasten the completion of the work ;

To the committee on Cities.

A petition of Elihu B. Hayes and others for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

A petition of F. H. Gillett for an act to enable the School for Christian Workers to admit women as students ; and

School for Christian Workers.

A petition of F. H. Gillett for the passage of an act to enable the International Young Men's Association Training School to confer appropriate degrees ;

International Young Men's Association Training School.

Severally to the committee on Education.

A petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in elections ;

Elections, — equal representation.

A petition of Salome Merritt and others that women may be relieved from the payment of a poll tax as a qualification for voting ; and for a more just method of registration of women ; and

Women, registration of.

A petition of Alfred Noon and others for an amendment of the election law so as to permit a recount of ballots in towns ;

Elections, — recount of ballots in towns.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

A petition of the widow and daughter of the late C. H. Ingalls, county commissioner of Berkshire County, that said county may be authorized to pay to them the balance of his salary ;

Berkshire, county of, — family of the late C. H. Ingalls, county commissioner.

To the committee on Expenditures.

A petition of George J. Moulton that our Senators and Representatives may be instructed to vote for the passage of a law placing silver on the same footing with gold, and for the free coinage of silver ;

Free coinage of silver.

To the committee on Federal Relations.

A petition of A. H. Gardner that authority may be granted to the town of Nantucket, or to private individuals, to fill up that portion of the dock between Old North and Steamboat wharves, west of the Nantucket railroad crossing ; and

Nantucket, town of, — dock improvements.

A petition of members of the Trap's Creek Fishing Company for authority to extend said creek by digging a channel across a flat which is dry at ebb tide ;

Trap's Creek Fishing Company.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Street railway  
employees,  
hours of labor  
of.

A petition of the Pioneer Federal Labor Union for legislation limiting the hours of labor of street railway employees ;

To the committee on Labor.

Intoxicating  
liquors, — vote  
on the question  
of granting  
licenses.

A petition of L. Edwin Dudley for legislation providing that a vote upon the granting of liquor licenses shall stand for three years, and changing the time when licenses shall take effect ; and

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
houses of re-  
ligious worship.

A petition of Horace A. Roberts and others that no place shall be licensed for the sale of liquor within 400 feet of a building used for religious worship ;

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Rock Rimmon  
Building Asso-  
ciation.

A petition of F. H. Gillett for the incorporation of the Rock Rimmon Building Association ;

Tyler Street  
Day Nursery.

A petition of Benjamin C. Clark for the incorporation of the Tyler Street Day Nursery ;

Globe Building  
and Loan Asso-  
ciation.

A petition of William S. Hixon and others for incorporation as the Globe Building and Loan Association ; and

East Boston  
Company.

A petition of the East Boston Company for an amendment to its charter by changing the words "Noddles Island," to "East Boston," and removing certain ambiguities ;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

William C.  
Merry.

A petition of William C. Merry that he may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

James K.  
Barbour.

A petition of Edward W. Prescho that James K. Barbour of Boston may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Frederick  
Wiese.

A petition of E. B. Atwood that Frederick Wiese may be made eligible to receive State aid ; and

Militia, — pay-  
masters' clerks.

Petitions of Edward L. Tucker and others for legislation authorizing the enlistment of a paymaster's clerk in each twelve-company regiment ;

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Shawmut Con-  
gregational  
Society of  
Boston.

A petition of C. C. Coffin and other members of the Shawmut Congregational Society of Boston for authority to sell the meeting house of said society, and for other powers ; and

Bromfield  
Street M. E.  
Church.

A petition of the trustees of the Bromfield Street Methodist Church for legislation to enable them to sell the real estate of the said church ;

Severally to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

A petition of the selectmen and other citizens of Swampscott for legislation to protect the town of Swampscott, and others similarly situated, from the injury and danger to public health occasioned by the floating back of the garbage of Boston on their beaches and shores ;

Swampscott,  
town of,—  
Boston garbage.

To the committee on Public Health.

A petition of Keyes Danforth, justice of the police court of Williamstown, for an increase of salary ; and

Justice of the  
police court of  
Williamstown,  
salary of.

A petition of James O. Otis, first clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks, that his salary may be increased to \$2,000 per annum ;

First clerk of  
the Savings  
Banks Commis-  
sioners, salary  
of.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

A petition of Joseph Stevens and others for legislation requiring railroad companies to maintain a suitable crossing to land cut off from the highway by a railroad ;

Railroads,—  
private cross-  
ings.

To the committee on Railroads.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Essex that said town may be relieved from a part of the expense of rebuilding Great Bridge ;

Essex, town of,  
— Great Bridge.

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

A petition of the Essex Electric Street Railway Company for authority to lease its road to the Naumkeag Street Railway Company ;

Essex Electric  
Street Railway  
Company,—  
Naumkeag  
Street Railway  
Company.

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

A petition of the members of the fire department and others of Swampscott for legislation concerning the appointment and term of office of the engineers of the fire department of said town ;

Swampscott,  
town of,— fire  
department.

To the committee on Towns.

A petition of E. P. Carpenter and others that the Foxborough water supply district may be authorized to supply water to persons residing outside the district ;

Foxborough  
water supply  
district.

A petition of Warren Hoyt that the city of Haverhill may be empowered to take land for purifying the sources of its water supply ; and

Haverhill, city  
of,— water  
supply.

A petition of Charles W. Mann and others for the repeal of chapter 331 of the Acts of 1891, entitled : “ An Act to supply the town of Methuen with water ; ”

Methuen Water  
Company.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

Barre, town of.  
— water supply.

A petition of Elihu T. Sawyer and others of Barre for authority to take water for a water supply and to organize a water supply district in said town ; and

Chicopee Water  
Company.

A petition of the Chicopee Water Company that it may be authorized to increase its water supply, take land and issue bonds secured by mortgage ;

Severally, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, in each case, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Woman suf-  
frage.

A petition of W. O. Shattuck and others for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers ; and

Id.

Petitions of Anna C. Lee and others ; and C. A. Stevens and others, — severally, that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections ;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

### *House Orders.*

The following House order was considered, the question being on concurring in the adoption thereof : —

Liens.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending the law relating to liens on buildings and land, Public Statutes, chapter 191, otherwise known as the “ mechanics’ lien law,” so that mechanics, laborers, or other persons who furnish materials with their labor shall be given a lien for such materials on the same basis as for labor, without being required to give written notice to the owner in advance that they intend to claim a lien therefor.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, the order was amended by striking out the words “ committee on Labor,” and inserting in place thereof the words “ joint committee on the Judiciary.” The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Public records,  
— registries of  
deeds.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of extending the provisions of

sections 7 and 8 of chapter 37 of the Public Statutes, relating to public records, so as to require the several registers of deeds to procure and keep a book for re-recording worn or illegible deeds and instruments existing in their registries, when directed by the county commissioners or requested by private parties; and of providing proper compensation for such work; and of further providing that such copies of records shall have the same force and effect as the original records.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of establishing one or more district courts to include the whole or a part of the county of Franklin.  
Franklin, county of, — district courts.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of repealing section 9 of chapter 77 of the Public Statutes, relative to days of grace, and of providing that no days of grace shall be allowed on bills of exchange, promissory notes, orders, checks or drafts payable in this Commonwealth, unless it is expressly so provided therein.  
Days of grace.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of uniting the cities of Boston and Cambridge.  
Cambridge, city of, — annexation of, to Boston.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of so amending chapter 154 of the Acts of the year 1882, entitled: "An Act authorizing towns and cities to lay out public parks within their limits," as to provide that the mayor and city council of cities may have the power to grant the use of the parks to such persons and for such purposes as the mayor and city council may deem expedient.  
Public parks in cities and towns.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the charter of the city of Boston so as to provide for one alderman from each ward.  
Boston, city of, — election of aldermen.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of a law which shall require the Secretary of State to send by mail to every legal voter, at least seven days before election, the substance of any proposed amendment to the Constitution, to be voted for at the following election.  
Constitutional amendments, — notice to voters.

School teachers,  
examination of,  
by State  
authority.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing for the examination and certification of teachers by State authority.

School superin-  
tendents.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Education consider the expediency of increasing the allowance to districts that employ school superintendents.

Id.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Education consider the expediency of requiring the appointment by the State Board of Education, of a board of examiners of three or more competent persons, who shall examine all candidates for school superintendent, and without whose certificate of examination no candidate shall be deemed eligible to such position in any town or superintendency district in the State.

Id.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Education consider the expediency of requiring the State Board of Education to form into school superintendency districts all towns in the State not of sufficient size to maintain school superintendents of their own, and redistrict the same at intervals of five or ten years.

Voters, —  
registration of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending the laws relative to registration of voters, as to provide that there shall be, during the year 1892, a new or re-registration of voters, in view of the repeal of the constitutional provision relative to the poll tax, in cities and towns of not more than twenty thousand inhabitants.

Raw wool.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of urging the Senators from Massachusetts in Congress to vote for such legislation as will reduce or entirely remove the duties upon raw wool.

Fish and game  
wardens.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of requiring the appointment, in all cities and towns, of fish and game wardens, of authorizing said wardens to serve criminal process, to make complaints and to make arrests without warrant, and of otherwise specifying the duties and qualifications of said wardens.

Fraternal  
beneficiary  
corporations, —  
injunctions.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of providing that no temporary or *ex parte*



injunction shall be granted against any fraternal beneficiary corporation organized under chapter 429 of the Acts of the year 1888, and any amendment thereof, unless a notice or summons returnable in not less than twenty-four hours shall first issue in order that such corporation may have some opportunity to defend itself or show cause why an injunction should not be granted.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending the law relative to fraternal beneficiary corporations, so as to permit the levying of assessments without limitation as to time or number, and thereby to secure a more equable and uniform provision for meeting future maturing liabilities.

Fraternal  
beneficiary  
corporations, —  
assessments.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will limit the hours of labor of employees of street railway corporations to nine hours daily, to be performed inside of eleven consecutive hours.

Employees on  
street railways,  
hours of labor.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Library consider the expediency of providing that, when public documents are forwarded by State officials to public libraries in this Commonwealth, the express on the same shall be prepaid.

Public libraries,  
— public docu-  
ments.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors, as to do away with limiting the number of licenses granted in the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth, except the city of Boston.

Intoxicating  
liquors, — num-  
ber of licenses.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of the appointment of a special committee to investigate the mercantile agencies of this State, and to report as to the proper method of regulating their operation.

Mercantile  
agencies.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Military Affairs be authorized to visit such places within the Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Military Affairs,  
committee on.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of further regulating the uniform of

Volunteer  
Militia, — uni-

form of field  
and staff offi-  
cers.

the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, by prescribing the style of overcoat to be worn by general field and staff officers.

Clergymen, —  
returns of bap-  
tisms.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies consider the expediency of requiring clergy- men to make returns to town and city clerks and regis- trars, monthly, of all baptisms at which they have officiated.

House of cor-  
rection in Cam-  
bridge, —  
employment of  
prisoners in the  
manufacture of  
brushes.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of amending chapter 371 of the Acts of the year 1891, so that one hundred prisoners may be em- ployed in the manufacture of brushes at the house of cor- rection in Cambridge upon the public account system.

Clerk of the  
third district  
court of East-  
ern Middlesex,  
salary of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service con- sider the expediency of increasing the salary of the clerk of the third district court of Eastern Middlesex.

District attor-  
ney and assis-  
tants for county  
of Suffolk,  
salaries of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service con- sider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the dis- trict attorney and assistant district attorneys for Suffolk County.

Board of Gas  
and Electric  
Light Commis-  
sioners, salaries  
of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

Highway com-  
mission.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of providing for the appointment of a highway commission, and defining its powers and duties.

Street railways,  
— guards for  
protection of  
life.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Street Railways con- sider the expediency of compelling street railways of the Commonwealth to apply to their open cars the most approved pattern of guards for the protection of life.

Street railways,  
— reports of  
accidents.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Street Railways con- sider the expediency of providing that whenever any acci- dent shall happen in connection with the operation of any street railway, or any injury be occasioned to any person or property (other than property of the street railway company itself) by the electric current, apparatus, plant

or fixtures, cars or other rolling stock, or horses, used by any street railway company, such company shall within forty-eight hours after such accident make a report in writing and under oath to the board of aldermen of the city, or selectmen of the town, where such accident occurred, giving as fully as possible all circumstances and details, names of employees on duty, and names of witnesses and their residences; every street railway company to be required to display a copy of the act in every car used for transporting passengers, and each violation of the act to be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of such legislation as will allow cities in the Commonwealth to levy taxes under the twelve-dollar limit on the basis of the valuation of the preceding year, instead of the average valuation for the three preceding years.

Taxation in cities, rate of.

*Resolve Passed.*

An engrossed Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue (which originated in the House), was passed.

Resolve passed.

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The following order, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was considered:—

*Ordered*, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners be instructed to make a special report to this Legislature, within thirty days from the passage of this order, as follows:—

Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, Board of, — Boston Gas Company.

1. Whether or not the Boston Gas Company has within the past six months made any advances in its charges for gas.

2. At what price the Boston Gas Company can manufacture gas delivered in its holders (a.) and pay dividends of eight per cent. on its capital stock and provide for all needed renewals and extensions of its plant.

3. To what extent the Boston Gas Company is hiring the use of pipes from another corporation at an excessive rental, and to what extent the Boston Gas Company is paying another corporation one dollar per thousand feet

for gas, which it could manufacture for (b.) thirty-five cents per thousand feet.

4. As to whether (c.) the charter of the Bay State Gas Company (d.) ought not to be revoked, because, having been chartered for the purpose of competing with the Boston Gas Company, its sole purpose is now to divert the surplus earnings of the Boston Gas Company into the treasury of a foreign corporation known as the Bay State Gas Company of Delaware.

The Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, for the purpose of this investigation and report, are hereby empowered to order the production of books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

On motion of Mr. McNary, the order was amended by inserting after the word "holders" (at a.), the words "and at the meters of its consumers."

On motion of Mr. Parkman, the order was amended by striking out the words "thirty-five cents" (at b.), and inserting, in place thereof, the words "a less sum;" by striking out the words "the charter of" (at c.); and also striking out the words "ought not to be revoked because, having been chartered for the purpose of competing with the Boston Gas Company, its sole purpose is now to divert" (at d.), and inserting, in place thereof, the word "diverts."

The order, as amended, was then adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

There being no objection, Mr. Coveney withdrew the following order, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday: —

Board of Gas  
and Electric  
Light Commis-  
sioners, — Gas  
Companies.

*Ordered*, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners be instructed to make a special report to this Legislature, within thirty days from the passage of this order, as follows: —

1. Whether or not the Boston Gas Company or other gas companies have, within the past six months, made any advances in their charges for gas.

2. At what price the Boston Gas Company and other gas companies can manufacture gas delivered in their holders, and at what rate they can sell gas to their customers and pay dividends of eight per cent. on their capital stock and provide for all needed renewals and extensions of their plant.

3. To what extent the Boston Gas Company and other gas companies are hiring the use of pipes from another corporation at an excessive rental, and to what extent the Boston Gas Company and other gas companies are paying another corporation one dollar per thousand feet for gas which they could manufacture for thirty-five cents per thousand feet.

4. As to whether the charter of the Bay State Gas Company ought not to be revoked, because, having been chartered for the purpose of competing with the Boston Gas Company, its sole business is now to divert the surplus earnings of the Boston Gas Company into the treasury of a foreign corporation, known as the Bay State Gas Company of Delaware.

The Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, for the purpose of this investigation and report, are hereby empowered to order the production of books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The motion of Mr. Parkman, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, that the Senate reconsider the vote by which it adopted the following order, prevailed : —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of vesting in the board of overseers of the poor of the city of Boston, the care and control of all institutions for the care of paupers having a settlement in said city, and the administration of all matters connected with the admission and discharge of said paupers.

Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the order, it was amended, on motion of Mr. Parkman, by striking out the words " Public Charitable Institutions," and inserting in place thereof the word " Cities," and, as amended, was adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

### The bills

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department; and

Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions

Boston, city of,  
— board of  
overseers of the  
poor.

Bills.

of the act relative to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Senate bill.**

The Senate Bill to authorize the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company to issue mortgage bonds, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**House bills.**

The House bills

Making an appropriation for the Commonwealth's flats improvement fund ; and

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Meade, at twenty-eight minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Report of a Committee.*

By Mr. Nichols, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 7 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1885, by inserting after the word "Act," in the third line thereof the words "and violations of section 2 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes;" also amending section 9 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1885, by inserting after the word "retail," in the third line thereof the words "or expose or keep for sale," and by inserting after the word "dollars," in the sixth line of said section the words "or imprisonment for not less than one or more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment."

Intoxicating  
liquors.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

*Petitions, etc.*

The following petitions, etc. (which were deposited with the clerk prior to adjournment on Wednesday, February 3), were severally presented and referred:—

By Mr. Kennedy, a petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for legislation authorizing the regulation by ordinance of the use of bituminous coal in said city; and

Boston, city of,  
— use of bitu-  
minous coal.

By the same Senator, a petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said city to borrow, outside the debt limit, five hundred thousand dollars, for the construction of a boulevard from Jeffries Street to Wood Island Park;

Boston, city of,  
— boulevard  
from Jeffries  
Street to Wood  
Island Park.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Baker, a petition of Cyrus A. Stone that the educational requirement as a prerequisite for voting be annulled;

Elections,—  
educational pre-  
requisite for  
voting.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Elections, —  
percentage of  
votes cast by a  
political party.

By Mr. Gilman, a petition of William H. Partridge and others for legislation which shall better define the basis upon which the percentage of the total vote cast by a political party shall be reckoned in determining whether such party has cast three per cent. of the total vote ; and

Poll tax, abolition of, as a prerequisite for voting in all elections.

By Mr. Kennedy, a petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the repeal of all laws which compel the payment of a tax as a prerequisite for voting at city elections, or at town meetings for the election of officers or other business ;

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Declaration of war, ratification of, by the people.

By Mr. Baker, a petition of Cyrus A. Stone and others that Congress be petitioned to adopt an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, so as to require that a declaration of war must be ratified by the people, as well as by a vote of Congress ;

To the committee on Federal Relations.

Old Colony Railroad, — grade crossings in Roxbury.

By Mr. Carberry, a petition of William H. Carberry for the abolition of the grade crossings on the line of the Providence division of the Old Colony Railroad which lie within the limits of Roxbury, by the elevation of the tracks of said road ;

To the committee on Railroads.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Assistant district attorney for Southern District.

By Mr. Butler, a petition of Hosea M. Knowlton, district attorney for the Southern District of Massachusetts, for legislation providing for the appointment of an assistant district attorney ;

Boston, city of, — tenure of office of officers of municipal court.

By Mr. McDonald, a petition of F. P. Ingalls and others, officers of the municipal court of the city of Boston, that such officers shall serve during the pleasure of the court and give bond for the faithful performance of their duties ; and

Middlesex, county of, — truant school.

By Mr. Raymond, a petition of William S. Frost and another that the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex be authorized to borrow fifty thousand dollars for the establishment of a truant school ;

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Milford, town of, — sessions of Probate Court.

By Mr. Nichols, a remonstrance of Amariah A. Taft and others against the discontinuance of the sessions of the Probate Court for the county of Worcester held in Milford ;

To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.



*Order Adopted.*

The following order (which was deposited with the clerk prior to adjournment on Wednesday, February 3) was laid before the Senate and adopted: —

On motion of Mr. Gilman, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that the official stenographers of the Superior Court for the counties of Essex and Middlesex shall not be required to take a stenographic report of the evidence, or charge of the presiding judge, or any part of the proceedings, except in cases where both parties agree, in writing, that such report shall be taken, or when, upon the application of either party, the presiding judge deems it advisable; also that such stenographer shall furnish to either party upon request a transcript of such report as may be required, on payment of ten cents per hundred words for each copy furnished.

Stenographers of the Superior Court in Essex and Middlesex counties, — duties of.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to amend an Act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities.

Civil service.

A Bill relating to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities.

Boston, city of, — construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings.

A Bill relative to the duties of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Secretary of the Commonwealth, — duties of.

A Bill relating to the exemption of houses of religious worship from taxation (taken from the House files of last year), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Taxation.

Churches, taxation of.

The House order, — “That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation necessary for the payment of all employees in the institutions of the State semi-monthly, instead of monthly, as now is done,” —

Semi-monthly payment of employees in State institutions.

came up, the House having concurred in the amendment, adopted by the Senate, striking out the word "Labor," and inserting in place thereof the words "Public Service."

*House Petitions.*

North Adams  
Fire District.

A petition of the North Adams Fire District for a general or special law enabling fire districts to borrow in anticipation of taxes ; and

South Adams  
Fire District.

A petition of the South Adams Fire District that its name may be changed and that the town of Adams may be authorized to issue its bonds and loan the same to said fire district ;

Severally came up, referred to the committee on Water Supply. On motion of Mr. Parkman, in each case, the Senate referred the petitions, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Boston, city of,  
— police com-  
missioners.

A petition of W. P. Cherrington for such changes in the laws as will more clearly define and limit the powers and duties of the board of police commissioners of the city of Boston ;

To the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

Washington  
Savings Institu-  
tion of Lowell.

A petition of William J. Coughlin and others for the incorporation of the Washington Savings Institution of Lowell ; and

Savings banks,  
— interest on  
deposits.

A petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank and others for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, relating to savings banks, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly and for further amendments in respect to division of net profits ;

Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Somerville, city  
of, — funded  
debt.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Somerville for an amendment of chapter 194 of the Acts of the year 1887, in relation to the payment of the funded debt of said city ;

A petition of the mayor of the city of Fall River for an amendment of the charter of said city so as to allow the payment of salaries to members of the common council; and

Fall River, city of, — salary of common councilmen.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation permitting the city to appropriate money for pensions;

Boston, city of, — pensions.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Waltham for a modification of the existing law regarding the method of payment of the sewer debt of said city; and

Waltham, city of, — sewers.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Waltham that said city may be authorized to borrow the sum of \$75,000 for completing its system of sewers and extending its system of surface drainage;

Id.

Severally to the committee on Drainage.

A petition of J. M. Berry for legislation that will give the Prohibition party an opportunity to make a second choice for Governor and assist in electing him by a transfer of their ineffective votes; and

Prohibition party, — transfer of votes.

A petition of P. O. Larkin and others that the day on which the State election is held be made a legal holiday;

Day of the State election a legal holiday.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

A petition of the citizens of the towns of Yarmouth and Dennis relative to Bass River fisheries;

Bass River fisheries.

A petition of Elkanah Crowell for an amendment of chapter 37 of the Acts of the year 1849, relating to fisheries in Bass River, so as to protect the spawning place of fish;

Id.

A petition of George R. Wixon and others for a modification of the law prohibiting seining in the waters of Buzzard's Bay;

Buzzard's Bay, — fisheries.

A petition of Charles Bryant and others for such legislation as will exclude from the waters of Buzzard's Bay, all nets, traps, pounds and weirs; and

Id.

A petition of Charles R. Tallman and others for legislation to promote the efficiency of fish weirs and the protection of those engaged in the business of taking fish in this way;

Fish weirs.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition of Dudley P. Bailey for the termination of the business of so-called endowment societies;

Endowment societies.

To the committee on Insurance.

Labor,—employment of persons unemployed.

A petition of Henry Lemon for the adoption of legislative measures looking towards the furnishing of employment to the unemployed ; and

Employees in paper mills, hours of labor of.

A petition of William McNaught and others for the regulation of the hours of labor of paper mill employees ; Severally to the committee on Labor.

Fall River, city of,—liquor licenses.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Fall River for an amendment of the law so that one place may be licensed for each 500 of the population for the sale of intoxicating liquors in said city ;

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

New Bedford Real Estate Association.

A petition of the New Bedford Real Estate Association for power to buy and sell mortgages and make loans on mortgages upon real estate in and out of the county of Bristol (taken from the House files of last year) ;

Salem, city of,—removal of poles, wires and other structures.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Salem that the board of aldermen of said city may be authorized to remove poles, wires or other structures from the highways and streets of said city ;

Boston Industrial Home,—Appleton Temporary Home.

A petition of Thomas D. Roberts for the consolidation of the Boston Industrial Home and the Appleton Temporary Home ;

Maplewood Cemetery Association.

A petition of George S. Ball for the incorporation of the Maplewood Cemetery Association ;

Middlesex Real Estate Company of Lowell.

A petition of John J. Donovan and others for the incorporation of the Middlesex Real Estate Company of Lowell ; and

Slade Cemetery Association.

A petition of William L. Slade and others for the incorporation of the Slade Cemetery Association ; Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Betsey Worthington.

A petition of the selectmen and other citizens of Agawam that an annuity may be granted to Betsey Worthington, widow of a veteran of the war of 1812 ;

To the committee on Military Affairs.

Boston Emergency Hospital.

A petition of the Boston Emergency Hospital for an appropriation from the treasury of the Commonwealth, or that the city of Boston may be authorized to make an annual appropriation to said hospital ;

To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Metropolitan Park Commission,—public reservations.

Petitions of Thomas Wentworth Higginson and others ; the trustees of public reservations ; the mayor of the city

of Cambridge and others ; the park commissioners of the town of Stoneham and others ; the park commissioners of the city of Lynn ; the officers of the town of Saugus ; the city officers of Chelsea ; the water commissioners of the city of Cambridge ; the town officers of Wellesley ; George W. Hammond and others ; and Roswell B. Lawrence and others, — severally, for legislation for the establishment of a Metropolitan Park Commission ;

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

A petition of William L. Mooney for a law to require the elevation of a portion of the road-beds and tracks of the Providence division of the Old Colony Railroad between Chickering station and Forest Hills ;

Old Colony  
Railroad, —  
Roxbury  
crossing.

To the committee on Railroads.

A petition of the Connecticut River Railroad Company for increase of its capital stock ;

Connecticut  
River Railroad  
Company.

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

A petition of the selectmen of Easthampton that said town may be authorized to refund to the sister of Edward O'Donnel a portion of the amount paid by said O'Donnel for a liquor license ;

Easthampton,  
town of, — re-  
funding of  
money paid for  
a liquor  
license.

To the committee on Towns.

A petition of the water boards of Malden, Medford and Melrose for legislation granting the control over and public rights in Spot Pond to the municipalities using said pond as a water supply ; and

City of Malden  
and towns of  
Medford and  
Melrose, —  
Spot Pond.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Fall River for an amendment of chapter 114 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the protection of the water supply of said city, so as to permit the assessment of betterments upon lands benefited ;

Fall River, city  
of, — water  
supply.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

### *House Orders.*

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 28 of chapter

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
licensing boards  
in cities.

100 of the Public Statutes, by striking out in the fourth line the word "may," and inserting in place thereof the word "shall;" and by striking out all after the word "commissioners," in the fifth line, and inserting in place thereof the following: "Who shall be appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the aldermen, and such board shall consist of three inhabitants of said city. The mayor and aldermen shall, on the first Monday of April, 1892, appoint three commissioners, one for three years, one for two years and one for one year respectively, and annually thereafter on the first Monday in April, one commissioner for three years, who shall hold office until his successor is appointed and confirmed. These commissioners shall receive such compensation as the mayor and aldermen shall determine, and such compensation shall be paid from the moneys received from license fees."

Subsequently, Mr Butler moved that the vote by which the order was adopted, in concurrence, be reconsidered and this motion was, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence:—

Collateral legacies and successions, taxation of.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled: "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions," that the said tax shall be paid to the towns or cities where the deceased resided, and the assessment and collection of said tax shall be made by the local boards.

Id.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending section 12 of chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, by transposing the words "by," and "to," in the last line but one of said section, so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows: "*Sect. 12.* Whenever for any reason the devisee, legatee or heir who has paid any such tax, afterwards refunds any portion of the property on which it was paid, or it is judicially determined that the whole or any part of such tax ought not to have been paid, said tax or the due proportional part of said tax shall be paid back to him by the executor, administrator or trustee."

Boards and commissions,—annual reports.

*Ordered*, That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions consider the expediency

of requiring all commissions, boards and officials who regularly report to the General Court to present their reports on or before the second Wednesday in January, annually.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of a general law limiting the amount of money which a town or city may deposit in a single bank, or banking institution, and providing that such deposits shall not at any one time exceed a certain percentage of the capital of the bank.

Deposits of  
towns or cities  
in banks.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of requiring each city in the Commonwealth to provide at an expense of not less than \$15,000, a building for working men and women, containing a suitable meeting-hall, reading-rooms, proper arrangements for baths, and rooms for recreation; also of providing that the minimum expense of \$15,000 shall be advanced from the treasury of the Commonwealth, and that each city shall be at liberty to appropriate such additional sum as it sees fit, and that upon refunding to the Commonwealth the amount advanced, the city shall become the owner of the building and appointments, otherwise the title of the same to be and remain in the Commonwealth; also of providing that in the city of Boston the minimum expenditure shall be \$30,000 and that this sum shall be advanced to said city from the treasury of the Commonwealth.

Erection of  
public buildings  
in cities for  
working men  
and women.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending section 102 of chapter 374 of the Acts of the year 1885, being an Act relating to the inspection and construction of buildings in the city of Boston, so that the material therein required for deafening floors shall be plaster at least one inch thick, or asbestos, magnesio-calcite, or other fire-proof paper at least one-sixteenth of an inch thick or other incombustible material satisfactory to the inspector.

Boston, city of,  
—construction  
of buildings.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing all cities and towns to grant pensions to policemen and firemen injured in the discharge of their duty.

Policemen and  
firemen, pen-  
sioning of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of requiring all constitu-

Constitutional  
amendments.

tional amendments when submitted to the people to be printed in full and posted at the polling places, and also published or posted in such other manner as may be thought expedient.

**Constitutional  
Amendment,—  
biennial elec-  
tions.**

*Ordered,* That the committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of amending the Constitution of the Commonwealth so as to provide for biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court.

**Cities and  
towns,—main-  
tenance of  
sewers.**

*Ordered,* That the committee on Drainage consider the expediency of so amending the statutes relating to sewers and drains, as to provide that the city council of any city or the selectmen of any town may by ordinance adopt such system of assessments to cover the cost and maintenance of sewers as will be most equitable to the city or town and the citizens thereof adopting the same; so that the city council of any city, and the selectmen of any town may by ordinance prescribe the method by which assessments levied for the cost of the construction and maintenance of sewers shall be levied either upon the value of the real estate benefited thereby, or according to the actual benefit conferred, or from the number of connections made, or by an annual assessment sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest upon the sewerage debt and the cost of maintenance, or by such other method which to the city council or selectmen may appear just and equitable to all parties benefited.

**State Board of  
Education,—  
power to take  
and hold in  
trust grants, de-  
vices, dona-  
tions, bequests,  
etc., for cer-  
tain purposes.**

*Ordered,* That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing that the board of education may take and hold in trust for the Commonwealth any grant or devise of lands and any donation or bequest of money or other personal property made to the Commonwealth for any educational, historical, literary or scientific purposes, or for the establishment and maintenance of public libraries and reading rooms; and of providing for the safe keeping, management and investment of said funds under suitable safeguards, requiring the officers intrusted with the care thereof to report to the General Court; also of providing that, in ascertaining the income of the several funds, the net income from all the aggregate funds shall be divided pro rata to said several funds; also of providing that when the



income is by the terms of a gift, grant, devise or bequest to be paid to trustees, the receipt of such trustees shall be a sufficient discharge to the board of education; also of providing that the Supreme Judicial Court may have jurisdiction in equity to hear and determine questions arising in the administration of the funds; also of repealing section 2 of chapter 41 of the Public Statutes.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Education consider the expediency of so amending the laws of the Commonwealth that all towns in said Commonwealth shall be required to maintain a sufficient number of schools to accommodate all pupils of school age in said towns for a period of not less than thirty weeks in each year. Public schools in towns.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending the existing laws that any political party having cast not less than two per centum of the total vote cast for all the candidates for Governor at the election preceding the annual election, may have all its candidates printed upon the official ballot. Elections, — political parties.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of providing that it shall be lawful to take, catch and sell or have in one's possession with intent to sell, lobsters nine inches in length; and of repealing so much of the existing law as is inconsistent with the above provisions. Lobsters.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands consider the expediency of increasing the penalty for the removal of stones, gravel, sand or other material from the beaches of the Commonwealth by persons unauthorized thereto; or of such other legislation as shall effectually prevent the unauthorized taking of ballast from said beaches. Beaches, — taking of ballast.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of providing for the more speedy, simple and economical winding up of the various so-called endowment orders and investment companies and other corporations which are established or exist in violation of law, or which are doing any fraudulent, gambling, or other illegal business, or which have become insolvent. Endowment orders and investment companies.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of requiring corporations or individuals to Machinery, stopping of, in case of accident.

maintain and construct in all rooms where machinery, shafting, belting and the like are in operation, some electrical or other connection with the engineer's room or power-house, so that in case of accident an immediate signal can be given to shut off the power.

Street railway  
employees,  
hours of labor  
of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of limiting the hours of labor of street railway employees so that nine hours' labor performed in eleven consecutive hours shall constitute a day's work; sufficient time to be allowed for meals.

Labor  
organizations.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of prohibiting any person or corporation from coercing or compelling any person or persons to enter into an agreement, either written or verbal, not to join or become a member of any labor organization, as a condition of such person or persons securing employment or continuing in the employment of any such person or corporation.

Women and  
children, hours  
of labor of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will limit the hours of employment of women and children in mercantile and manufacturing establishments to fifty-four hours per week.

Towns, —  
boards of  
health.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending the present law allowing a town to impose the duties of the local board of health upon the selectmen, so that it shall be permissive only in the smaller towns.

Barns, erection  
of, near dwell-  
ing houses.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of enacting such legislation as will prevent the building or use of barns, sheds or other buildings commonly used by cattle or other domestic animals in the cities of the Commonwealth, within 150 feet of any dwelling house.

Metropolitan  
Park Commis-  
sion, — public  
reservations.

*Ordered,* That the joint special committee on Public Reservations consider the expediency of legislation to the effect that the State Board of Agriculture, or some other board or officer of the Commonwealth, collect statistics and information concerning forests, woodlands and public parks within the State, report and publish so much thereof as may be deemed advisable, and make such recommendations and suggestions upon said subjects as the public interests relating thereto may require.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of amending chapter 320 of the Acts of 1884, entitled: "An Act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof," so as to provide that laborers shall be exempt from the requirement of civil service examinations.

Laborers, —  
exemption from  
civil service.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of women inspectors of factories in the Commonwealth from one thousand dollars per year, the sum now paid, to twelve hundred dollars per year.

District police,  
— salaries of  
women  
inspectors.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the justice and of the clerk of the third district court of Eastern Middlesex.

Justice and  
clerk of the  
third district  
court of  
Eastern Middle-  
sex, salaries of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the police court of the city of Brockton to two thousand dollars, and that of the clerk of said court to fifteen hundred dollars.

Justice and  
clerk of the  
police court of  
Brockton,  
salaries of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Railroads consider and report upon what legislation may be necessary to secure quicker railroad transportation and better service between the cities of Boston and New York.

Railroad trans-  
portation be-  
tween Boston  
and New York.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of a law to prevent railroad or sleeping car companies doing business in this State, from letting down upper berths in their sleeping cars when not in use; and of declaring such companies to be common carriers.

Railroads, —  
sleeping cars.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of compelling the railroads doing business in this Commonwealth, or operated under its laws, which pay an annual dividend of six per cent., or more, and whose stock is selling at 115 or over, to carry passengers at a rate of fare not exceeding two cents per mile.

Railroads, —  
rates of fare.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of such legislation as will give the mayor and board of aldermen of a city, or the selectmen

Street railways,  
tracks of.

of towns, authority to allow electric roads to take up the tracks of horse railroads and put down tracks for electric roads; allowing horse railroads whose tracks have been taken up to use said tracks of the electric roads.

Hospitals in towns.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of amending section 20 of chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, so that a town may erect, establish and maintain a hospital for the reception of persons able to pay and paying for their treatment, as well as for those who are unable to pay.

*Resolve laid before the Governor.*

Resolve laid before the Governor.

The engrossed Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue, which was yesterday passed, was laid before the Governor for his approbation.

The following order, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was considered:—

Expenditures in excess of appropriations.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Treasury ascertain and report in all cases where there appears an excess of expenditure over appropriations for the financial year 1891, for all commissions, boards and departments which show such excess, and the occasion of such excess of expenditure, together with the facts relating thereto.

On motion of Mr. Southwick, the order was amended by adding at the end thereof the words "and that the committee report in print if they deem it expedient," and, as amended, was adopted.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Bill.

The Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association of Provincetown, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bills

House bills.

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department; and

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Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the act relative to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mott, at twelve minutes before two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

Boston, city of,  
— rentals, etc.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Resolve providing for the collection by the bureau of statistics of labor of certain statistics relative to families residing in rented tenements in the city of Boston, ought to pass ;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Gettysburg  
Battlefield  
Memorial  
Association.

By Mr. Read of Middlesex, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Resolve relating to the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association (introduced on leave in the House), ought to pass ;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Joint rules.

By Mr. Parkman, from the joint committee who were instructed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches, and to whom was referred the order relative to changing the name of the joint standing committee on the Library to "committee on Libraries," recommending that joint rule No. 1 of the rules of last year be amended by striking out the words "the Library," in the clause "a committee on the Library," and inserting in place thereof the word "Libraries;" and that, with the exception of this amendment, and the amendments previously adopted, the joint rules of the year 1891 be observed as the rules of the present year ;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions (which were deposited with the clerk prior to adjournment on Wednesday, February 3) were severally presented and referred :—

Northampton,  
city of, — issue  
of sewer scrip.

By Mr. Kimball, a petition of John C. Hammond and others for an amendment of the act authorizing the city of Northampton to issue sewer scrip ;

By the same Senator, a petition of J. B. O'Donnell for an amendment of section 9 of chapter 354 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to issuing sewer scrip by the city of Northampton;  
Northampton, city of, — issue of sewer scrip.

By Mr. Drury, a petition of the mayor of the city of Lowell that the charter of said city may be revised; and  
Lowell, city of, — charter.

By Mr. Meade, a petition of Wm. E. Meade that the board of aldermen or city council of the city of Salem may be authorized to determine upon the laying out or alteration of streets or ways within its limits, without being required to take the land to construct such streets or ways until such time as said city may see fit, and to be exempt from liability for damages for such land until work is begun thereon;  
Salem, city of, — land damages.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. McNary, a petition of J. P. Brown that the voting lists of towns be published as a part of the town reports, and those of cities as public documents;  
Voting lists in towns and cities.

To the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. McEttrick, a petition of Emory J. Haynes and John Crowley that clothing made in tenement houses and "sweat-shops" of New York, be quarantined;  
Quarantine of clothing made in unhealthy places.

To the committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Shaw, a petition of the Weymouth and Hingham Street Railway Company for authority to cross the bridges over Weymouth Fore River and Weymouth Back River;  
Weymouth and Hingham Street Railway Company.

To the committee on Street Railways.

By Mr. Gilman, a petition of Alice Stone Blackwell and others for an amendment of the Constitution to establish the equal political rights of all American citizens, irrespective of sex, and for a law permitting women to vote on all county, town and municipal affairs;  
Woman suffrage.

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Mr. Arnold presented a petition of Julia Ward Howe and others for the Massachusetts Woman Suffrage Association that women may be enabled to vote for Presidential electors, which was referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

• Boston, city of,  
—overseers of  
the poor.

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending section 3 of chapter 128 of the Acts of the year 1864, relating to the time of the yearly organization of the overseers of the poor of the city of Boston, so that it may conform with the provisions of chapter 418 of the Acts of the year 1890.

Sent down for concurrence.

The following orders (which were deposited with the clerk prior to adjournment on Wednesday, February 3) were severally laid before the Senate and adopted : —

On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, —

Manual training  
and industrial  
education.

*Ordered*, That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions consider the expediency of extending the time for the final report of the commission appointed to investigate existing systems of manual training and industrial education, provided for by chapter 106 of the Resolves of the year 1891, so that it can be made to the next Legislature; and of providing for continuing the commission itself.

On motion of Mr. West, —

Cities, indebted-  
ness of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing cities to incur indebtedness beyond the limit of two and one half per cent. on the average valuation, as now prescribed by law, to an amount not exceeding five per cent. on such valuation.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, —

Woman suf-  
frage.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as shall make more simple and easy the assessment and registration of women to qualify them to vote in elections for school committee.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, —

County treas-  
urers, returns of  
fines, etc.,  
received by.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing section 30 of chapter 23 of the Public Statutes, relative to returns, to the State Auditor, of fines, costs, forfeitures, fees and moneys received by county treasurers; or of providing that said returns, or the statistics directed to be furnished by said section 30, be sent to the Controller of County Accounts.



PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill making appropriations for the compensation and expenses of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury. Appropriations.

A Resolve to provide for the sale of land at the Framingham Normal School (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education. Framingham Normal School.

A Bill for the better protection of eels and white perch in the towns of Mattapoisett, Marion and Rochester (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Fisheries and Game. Mattapoisett, Marion and Rochester, towns of, — eels and white perch.

Bills

Relating to the sale and use of spirituous and intoxicating liquors; Intoxicating liquors.

Relating to the sale and use of spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and permitting unrestricted sale when a city or town votes in favor of free liquor; and Id.

Relating to licensing the sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage; Id.

Severally introduced on leave in the House, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on the Liquor Law.

A Bill to protect gas consumers from excessive charges (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Manufactures. Gas consumers, protection of.

A Bill to amend an Act concerning the volunteer militia (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs. Volunteer militia.

A Bill regulating the sale and purchase of poisons (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health. Poisons.

*House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

A petition of a special committee of the Boston Association. Attachments.

ciated Board of Trade for such modification of the law of attachments as will more securely guard the rights of defendants ;

Norfolk, county of, — judicial district.

A petition of John R. Bullard and others of Dedham for the establishment of a new judicial district in Norfolk County, embracing the towns of Dedham and Norwood ;

Id.

A petition of the officers of the town of Norfolk for the establishment of a new judicial district in Norfolk County ; and

Registers of deeds.

A petition of Robert W. Lyman that registers of deeds may be allowed to reside anywhere in their registry district, provided they have an assistant residing in the city or town where the registry is ;

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Safe deposit, loan and trust companies, — reserve funds.

A petition of H. E. Clayton for legislation regulating the reserve funds required to be held by safe deposit, loan and trust companies ; and

Shawmut Trust Company.

A petition of Channing Hazeltine and others for incorporation as the Shawmut Trust Company ;

Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Brockton, city of, — street improvement.

A petition of the city of Brockton for authority to make certain improvements in West Street in said city ;

Lowell, city of, — armory.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Lowell for authority to take additional land for armory, parade and drill purposes ;

Boston, city of, — Mount Hope Cemetery.

A petition of Isaac Rosnosky for the repeal of chapter 265 of the Acts of the year 1889, entitled : “ An Act to provide for the transfer and management of Mount Hope Cemetery in the city of Boston ; ”

Boston, city of, — public park.

A petition of Isaac Rosnosky that the park commissioners of the city of Boston may be authorized to take Jamaica Pond and Ward's Pond, and land surrounding the same, for a public park for the city of Boston ; and

Id.

A petition of John F. Fitzgerald and others that the city of Boston may be authorized to borrow \$500,000 outside the debt limit for public park purposes at the North End ;

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Constitutional amendment, — biennial or triennial elections and sessions.

A petition of William O. Stanton for an amendment of the Constitution providing for biennial or triennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court ; and biennial or triennial sessions of the Legislature ;

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

A petition of the city of Brockton for authority to take lands in Easton and West Bridgewater for sewerage purposes ;

Brockton, city of, — land for sewerage purposes.

To the committee on Drainage.

A petition of E. Gerry Brown for legislation fixing a definite time for caucuses, compelling citizens to register as voters and to vote at caucuses and elections, and subjecting aliens to a heavy personal income tax ;

Elections and caucuses, — registration of voters; aliens.

To the committee on Election Laws.

Petitions of W. Hobart and others ; and Oliver W. Chenery and others, — severally, for an amendment of chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, so as to permit the pursuing of wild fowl with a sailboat ;

Wild fowl.

A petition of Jonathan H. Jones and others for legislation for the better protection of wild fowl on their feeding ground in Waquoit Bay, Falmouth ;

A petition of George A. Snell and others for a modification of the law prohibiting seining in Buzzard's Bay, so as to permit taking fish with gill nets within one-half mile from the shore, and taking fish for bait ; and

Buzzard's Bay, seining in.

A petition of F. W. Underwood and others for the better protection of the eel and white perch fishery in Mattapoisett and Marion ;

Mattapoisett and Marion, — eels, white perch.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition of Lucius Floyd and others for legislation providing for a pilot for the town of Winthrop, and fixing his compensation ; and

Winthrop, town of, — pilot.

A petition of Thomas G. Coffin and other members of the Trap's Creek Fishing Company for authority to dig a channel through a flat which is dry at ebb tide ;

Trap's Creek Fishing Company.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

A petition of David Floyd, 2d, and others for legislation compelling the Massachusetts Benefit Association to distribute its funds in the State treasury, and its benefit and reserve fund, equitably among its members ;

Massachusetts Benefit Association.

To the committee on Insurance.

A petition of the Beverly Marine Railway Corporation that it may be authorized to mortgage its property ;

Beverly Marine Railway Corporation.

A petition of H. F. Keith and others for the incorporation of the South Berkshire Mountain Club ;

South Berkshire Mountain Club.

Co-operative  
Improvement  
Association.

Publication of  
legal and legis-  
lative notices.

A petition of Joseph Robbins and others for incorporation as the Co-operative Improvement Association ; and

A petition of A. M. Bridgman and another for incorporation for publishing purposes ;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Michael J.  
Fleming.

A petition of Michael J. Fleming that he may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

John Brickley.

A petition of John Brickley that he may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Ella Raymond.

A petition of Ella Raymond for compensation for injuries received by her husband while in the discharge of militia duty ; and

William Burt.

A petition of William Burt that he may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

First Parish in  
Newbury.

A petition of William Little and others, owners of pews in the meeting house of the First Parish in Newbury, for an act of incorporation ; and

Pilgrim Congre-  
gational  
Church.

A petition of the Pilgrim Congregational Church for authority to convey its meeting house, parsonage and fund ;

Severally to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Metropolitan  
Park Commis-  
sion, — public  
reservations.

Petitions of Onslow Gilmore and others ; W. W. Lowe and others ; Arthur E. Whitney and others ; Elihu B. Hayes and others ; John S. Hayes and others ; the town officers of Milton ; and the Brookline park commissioners, — severally, for legislation for the establishment of a Metropolitan Park Commission ;

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

Clerk of district  
court of East  
Norfolk,  
salary of.

A petition of John P. S. Churchill, clerk of the district court of East Norfolk, for an increase of salary ;

To the committee on Public Service.

Railroad from  
Weymouth to  
Marshfield.

A petition of Eugene H. Clapp and others for an act of incorporation for the purpose of constructing a railroad from Weymouth to a point on the Old Colony Railroad in the town of Marshfield (taken from the House files of last year) ;

To the committee on Railroads.

A petition of John G. Avery and others for the better taxation of chattels, the securing of sworn lists thereof and the disposal of taxes derived therefrom ;

Taxation, —  
lists of personal  
property.

To the committee on Taxation.

A petition of T. C. Brophy for a law granting the free use of halls owned by towns and cities for meetings of citizens ; and

Halls in cities  
and towns, use  
of.

A petition of the town of Chatham for authority to re-fund its bonds ;

Chatham, town  
of.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Petitions of Anna W. Rudd and others ; E. D. Wood and others ; S. W. Root and others ; Frances E. Lord and others ; Alice J. Carter and others ; William C. Chipman and others ; S. E. Bridgman and others ; Obed Nickerson and others ; D. W. Hodgkins and others ; D. B. Cole and others ; Hannah R. Holbrook and others ; Albert Story and others ; Lizzie F. Higgins and others ; Mrs. C. P. Carpenter and others ; E. C. Charlton and others ; and Mrs. H. B. Fox and others, — severally, for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers ; and

Woman suf-  
frage.

A petition of Anna C. Lee and others that women may be allowed to vote for presidential electors and other officers ;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

### *House Orders.*

The following House order was considered : —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Railroads consider whether any further legislation is necessary or expedient in relation to the liability of railroad corporations for fires communicated by their locomotive engines, or in relation to insurance by owners of property injured thereby, so that the net amount received on such insurance may be deducted from the damages caused by such fire.

Railroad cor-  
porations, —  
damages caused  
by fire.

(On motion of Mr. Parkman, the order was amended by striking out the words “ committee on Railroads,” and inserting in place thereof the words “ joint committee on the Judiciary.” The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The following House order was considered : —

Water Com-  
missioners of  
Haverhill.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of legislation which shall make more distinct the meaning of that part of section 5 of chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1891, which determines the tenure of office of the water commissioners of the city of Haverhill.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, the order was amended by striking out the words "committee on Water Supply," and inserting in place thereof the words "joint committee on the Judiciary." The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Railroads, —  
rates of fares for  
legislative,  
judicial or  
executive offi-  
cers.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to prevent the issue by railroad corporations, to legislative, judicial or executive officers, of any ticket entitling them to transportation at a less rate of fare than is demanded of the public generally.

Fire-escapes.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 426 of the Acts of the year 1888, and chapter 307 of the Acts of the year 1890, so as to provide for the better protection of human life in case of fire.

Boston, city of,  
— board of  
license com-  
missioners.

*Ordered*, That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions consider the expediency of transferring the powers now exercised by the board of police for the city of Boston, as license commissioners, to a new and separate board to be created for that purpose.

Boards of  
police in cities  
and towns.

*Ordered*, That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions consider the expediency of providing for the appointment of boards of police for the several cities of the Commonwealth, to have the control and direction of the police force of said cities and the administration of the laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquor therein.

Boston, city of,  
— single legis-  
lative body.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing for the substitution of a single

legislative body for the board of aldermen and common council of the city of Boston, as now established by law; such single legislative body to be elected for a term of two or more years, a part only thereof to be elected each year; and providing for minority representation in voting for the members of said body.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that the term of office of the mayor of the city of Boston shall be two years. Boston, city of,  
— term of office  
of the mayor.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of placing the control of the police force of the city of Boston in a board or officer to be appointed by the mayor of said city. Boston, city of,  
— police to be  
controlled by  
the mayor.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of such legislation as will place the new court house for the county of Suffolk in charge of the city of Boston for completion after the first day of January next, and for such other legislation as may tend to expedite the construction of said building. Suffolk, county  
of, — new court  
house.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of authorizing the city of Boston to borrow five hundred thousand dollars for public park purposes, the same to be expended for a park in wards 6 and 7 of said city. Boston, city of,  
— public park.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of revising the laws relating to city registrars and city clerks, so as to place the gathering of facts and statistics which relate to health in the city of Boston, with the board of health of said city, instead of with the city clerk or city registrar. Boston, city of,  
— relating to  
health.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that in the city of Boston, on the petition of the owner of an estate abutting on a street, the sidewalks of such street, or of a part of such street specified in the petition, may be paved with brick, granite or other covering, and edgestone set as the superintendent of streets of said city may deem proper, the expense of the same to be paid from the proceeds of loans such as are provided for in section 1 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and be repaid to said city as the assessa- Boston, city of,  
— sidewalks.

ble cost of constructing streets is to be paid under the provisions of the said chapter.

Boston, city of,  
— water supply.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending sections 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 of chapter 167 of the Acts of the year 1846, sections 11, 12 and 13 of chapter 105 of the Acts of the year 1861, chapter 176 of the Acts of the year 1864, chapter 135 of the Acts of the year 1865, section 2 of chapter 159 of the Acts of the year 1871, section 2 of chapter 85 of the Acts of the year 1872, sections 6 and 7 of chapter 400 of the Acts of the year 1874, all relating to the water supplies of the city of Boston, so as to provide that the city of Boston shall pay into the sinking funds created for meeting the water debts at maturity only the sums required to carry out the purposes of said sinking funds, and to use the balance of the income for the laying of pipes or such other purposes as the city council may determine.

Id.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the Cochituate water supply for the city of Boston, in such manner as to provide that the cost of extensions of pipe may be defrayed from the income derived from water rates, and that the surplus income from the said water rates shall be applied to the sinking fund for the benefit of the Cochituate water loans, or to such other purpose as the city council may determine.

Boston, city of,  
— sewers.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that in the city of Boston, on the petition of the owner of an estate abutting on a street, a sewer may be laid in such street, or a part of such street specified in the petition, as the superintendent of streets of said city may deem proper, the expense of the same to be paid from the proceeds of loans such as are provided for in section 1 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and be repaid to said city as the assessable cost of constructing streets is to be paid under the provisions of the said chapter.

Boston, city of,  
— streets.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of so amending section 10 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston, that a less sum than twenty-five per cent. of the estimated



cost of laying out and constructing a street shall be required before the street commissioners of said city shall order the laying out and construction of such street.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that in the city of Boston, on the petition of the owner of an estate abutting on a street, the superintendent of streets for the city of Boston may grade and macadamize or pave or otherwise surface such street, or a part thereof specified in the petition, as he may deem proper or as the board of aldermen may provide, the expense of the same to be paid from the proceeds of loans such as are provided for in section 1 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and be repaid to said city as the assessable cost of constructing streets is to be paid under the provisions of the said chapter. Boston, city of  
—streets.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston, by striking out the proviso contained in section 10, relating to the cost of the work done under said section.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of such legislation as will authorize the superintendent of streets for the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor or the board of aldermen of the said city, to construct or repair any street or portion of a street, or furnish the same with sidewalks, edgestones, water pipes or sewers, upon the petition of the owner or owners on land on said street or portion of a street; the expense thereof to be defrayed out of the loans authorized by chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and to be defrayed by the owner or owners of said land in the manner provided by said act.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 301 of the Acts of the year 1891, so that the city treasurer of the city of Boston may issue the bonds therein specified for the payment of construction of parks in the city of Boston, and taking lands for the same, to as great amount as shall be required to pay the expenses of such construction, and for all lands that may be taken. Boston, city of,  
—parks.

Boston, city of,  
— regulations  
of the board of  
aldermen.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that the enacting style and method of publishing the regulations of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston shall be such as the board of aldermen of said city shall by regulation prescribe.

Normal Art  
School building.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Education consider the expediency of finishing the exterior of the Normal Art School building in accordance with the original design.

School teachers.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing that all teachers in public schools in cities and towns shall be residents of the city or town in which they teach.

Children, at-  
tendance of, at  
schools.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Education consider the expediency of increasing the age of compulsory attendance of pupils in the public schools of the Commonwealth to sixteen years.

Public schools  
in towns.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Education consider the expediency of further assistance for the support of public schools in towns in the Commonwealth whose valuation of real and personal estate as shown by the last returns thereof does not exceed one-half million dollars.

Evening  
schools.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing for a system of public instruction and education to be given evenings in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth, in connection with and supplementary to the rudimentary instruction given in the public schools, with a view to providing a system for those who desire a higher education.

The principal features of said system to be as follows, viz. :—

*First.* A systematized course of free lectures on history, science, philosophy and political economy by a competent corps of lecturers.

*Second.* The compilation, printing and distribution among the attendants at these lectures of a card or pamphlet giving the titles and names of authors of the best reference books upon the subjects under consideration.

*Third.* The school committees of the cities and towns to provide suitable places for said lectures.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of abolishing the poll tax for women as a prerequisite for voting. Poll tax, — women voters.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so altering and amending the laws of the Commonwealth as to more clearly define who are voters in towns and cities in said Commonwealth. Elections, — voters.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending the laws of registration of voters so as to conform to the Constitution as amended in regard to the poll tax. Voters, registration of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by striking out therefrom so much thereof as is included in the following words: "and who has paid, by himself, his parent, master or guardian, a State or county tax assessed upon him in this State within two years next preceding such election and also every citizen who shall be by law exempted from taxation, and who shall be in all other respects qualified as above mentioned." And otherwise as may be necessary to carry out the intention of the amendment to the Constitution abolishing the payment of a tax as a prerequisite to the right of citizens to vote. Poll tax, — municipal elections.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing that the board of registrars of voters in cities shall have the charge and control of all voting places, appointment of precinct officers and of all election machinery. Voters, registrars of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will prohibit the employment of aliens on public works within the Commonwealth. Aliens, employment of, on public works.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 125 of the Acts of the year 1891, so as to read as follows: "No employer shall impose a fine upon, or withhold the wages or any part of the wages of, an employee engaged at weaving, for imperfections that may arise during the proc- Weavers.

ess of weaving; and the system now employed by manufacturers, of grading their work, shall in no way affect or lessen the wages of those engaged at weaving."

State Board of  
Arbitration,—  
expert assist-  
ants.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending chapter 385 of the Acts of the year 1890, so as to provide that the expert assistants to the State Board of Arbitration shall have voice and vote in the settlement of matters coming before the board.

State Librarian.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Library consider the expediency of authorizing the librarian of the State library to expend a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars in carrying out the suggestions made in his annual report, relative to preparing a card index of current newspapers.

Intoxicating  
liquors,—sale  
of, in billiard or  
pool rooms.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in connection with billiard and pool rooms, bowling alleys, or any other places of amusement.

Intoxicating  
liquors,—triennial  
vote on the  
question of  
granting  
licenses.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of requiring a triennial instead of an annual vote, in the cities and towns of this Commonwealth on the question of granting liquor licenses.

Intoxicating  
liquors,—num-  
ber of licenses

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of repealing chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled: "An Act to limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors."

Id.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the number of licenses to be granted, by inserting after the word "Boston," in the eighth line of section 1, the words "and in any city so voting at its annual municipal election, or town so voting at its annual meeting."

Id.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending the clause pertaining to the sale of intoxicating liquors, in lines 17 and 18 of section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so as to read: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this city (or town) not exceeding one for each

five hundred of the population?"; or of amending said section in such other manner as to make it possible to properly submit the question to the voters of each town and city, whether one license shall be granted for each five hundred of the population.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of reducing and regulating the price of electricity.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of imposing a penalty upon gas companies of one thousand dollars for each violation of the provisions of section 7 of chapter 314 of the Acts of the year 1885, requiring gas companies to make returns to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of authorizing and regulating the business of mercantile agencies, credit companies and collection bureaus.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation concerning all foreign corporations doing business within this State, so as to provide that they shall annually furnish the Commissioner of Corporations with a statement under oath, containing a list of all the stockholders in such corporation, the residence of each, and the number of shares held by each one.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of preventing telegraph companies from exacting any extra charges for the delivery of messages within a radius of one mile and a half from the telegraph office in towns of 7,000 inhabitants or more.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of providing that one copy of Kellen's Index Digest shall be furnished to every city and town in the Commonwealth, at the expense of the Commonwealth.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of re-publishing the first five volumes of the Massachusetts special laws.

**Insane paupers.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of so amending the laws concerning the support of the insane as to relieve towns with less than \$500,000 valuation, of the expense of maintaining such insane as may have legal settlements in such towns at the State lunatic hospitals.

**Schools, — contagious diseases.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency or further legislation to prevent the spread of contagious diseases in and through schools, or among school children.

**Metropolitan Park Commission, — public reservations.** *Ordered,* That the joint special committee on Public Reservations consider the expediency of creating a Metropolitan Park Commission, with authority to secure for park purposes lands in the cities and towns in the vicinity of the city of Boston.

**Judge of the third district court of Eastern Middlesex, salary of.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the judge of the third district court of Eastern Middlesex.

**District police, salaries of.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of grading or otherwise further regulating the salaries of the members of the district police.

**Railroads, — upper berths in sleeping cars.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of a law to prevent railroad or sleeping-car companies, doing business in this State, from letting down upper berths in their sleeping cars when not in use.

**Railroads, — walking on railroad tracks.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of more stringent legislation against the custom of walking on railroad tracks.

**Street railways, — issue of bonds for refunding their funded debts.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 316 of the Acts of the year 1889, by adding the words "and funded," after the word "floating," in the sixth line thereof, so as to authorize street railway companies by vote of their stockholders, with the approval of the Board of Railroad Commissioners, to issue bonds secured by mortgage for refunding their funded debt.

**Street railways.** *Ordered,* That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of requiring all railway companies

using the overhead electric system to maintain cut-off boxes, at not more than five hundred feet apart, all along their lines.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Taxation examine into the question of whether any, and, if so what, personal property held by inhabitants of this Commonwealth is now subject to double taxation of any character whatever, and consider the expediency of legislation to remedy the same.

Personal property, — double taxation.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the assessment and collection of taxes, so as to more clearly define how notices and summonses issued by collectors of taxes may be served, and such service proved.

Taxes, assessment and collection of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Woman Suffrage consider the expediency of enacting such legislation as will place municipal suffrage for women on the same basis as that for men.

Woman suffrage.

*Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To authorize the city of Salem to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the purpose of paying or refunding its indebtedness;

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year;

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial department of the government during the present year;

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws and preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes;

Making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the district police;

Making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid and for expenses in connection therewith;

Making appropriations for incidental and contingent expenses of the Legislative and executive departments of the Commonwealth;

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

Making appropriations for certain allowances authorized by the Legislature ; and

Making appropriations for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund, the State House loan sinking fund, 1901, and the State House construction loan sinking fund.

Resolve passed,  
etc.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Charles F. Loring (which originated in the House), was passed, and, with the above-named bills, was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate adopted the following House order, prevailed : —

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
licensing boards  
in cities.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 28 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, by striking out in the fourth line the word "may," and inserting in place thereof the word "shall;" and by striking out all after the word "commissioners," in the fifth line and inserting in place thereof the following: "Who shall be appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the aldermen, and such board shall consist of three inhabitants of said city. The mayor and aldermen shall on the first Monday of April, 1892, appoint three commissioners, one for three years, one for two years and one for one year respectively, and annually thereafter on the first Monday in April one commissioner for three years, who shall hold office until his successor is appointed and confirmed. These commissioners shall receive such compensation as the mayor and aldermen shall determine, and such compensation shall be paid from the moneys received from license fees.

Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the order, in concurrence, it was amended, on motion of Mr. Butler, by striking out the words "committee on the Liquor Law," and inserting in place thereof the words "joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions," and was adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to incorporate the Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association of Provincetown, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.



The Senate Report of the committee on Public Health, <sup>Intoxicating</sup>  
inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to <sup>liquors.</sup>  
amending section 7 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the  
year 1885, by inserting after the word "Act," in the  
third line thereof the words "and violations of sec-  
tion 2 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes;" also  
to amending section 9 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the  
year 1885, by inserting after the word "retail," in  
the third line thereof the words "or expose or keep for  
sale;" and by inserting after the word "dollars," in the  
sixth line of said section the words "or imprisonment for  
not less than one or more than six months, or by both  
such fine and imprisonment," — was considered. Pend-  
ing the question on the acceptance of the report, the  
further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Gil-  
man, postponed until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick, at three minutes past  
three o'clock P. M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-mor-  
row at two o'clock P. M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Massachusetts  
Agricultural  
College.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, ought to pass ; and

Appropriations.

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the House Bill making appropriations for certain educational expenses, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Intoxicating  
liquors, trans-  
portation of, by  
common  
carriers.

By Mr. Champlin, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on the petitions of George L. Clapp and others, a Bill to further regulate the transportation of intoxicating liquors by common carriers and others ;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Taken from the Files of Last Year.*Boston, city of,  
— highways.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, the clerk was directed to take from the files of last year, a Bill relating to the assessment of damages caused by the laying out, altering, discontinuance and specific repairs of highways in the city of Boston. On motion of the same Senator, the 12th joint rule was suspended and the petition was, in accordance with the provisions of Senate Rule No. 20, submitted to the committee on Rules, for inspection.

*Petitions.*Naukeag  
Water  
Company.

A petition of Ivers W. Adams that the Naukeag Water Company be authorized to take water, for the purposes of its incorporation, on land owned by others than the petitioner — presented by Mr. Raymond (the same being a new draft of a petition deposited with the clerk prior to adjournment on Wednesday, February 3), — was laid before the Senate. On motion of Mr. Raymond the 9th joint rule was suspended and the petition referred to

the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Thayer presented a petition of the trustees of the Worcester Polytechnic Institute for authority to acquire and hold additional real and personal estate, which was, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Worcester  
Polytechnic  
Institute.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Meade presented a petition of Lizzie B. Brown for such legislation as will enable her to be appointed a justice of the peace, which was, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Lizzie B.  
Brown.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

### *Orders Adopted.*

The following orders (which were deposited with the clerk prior to adjournment on Wednesday, February 3) were severally laid before the Senate and adopted : —

On motion of Mr. McEttrick, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of amending chapter 388 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to the discharge of small loans, so that a penalty may be imposed for the violation of the provisions of said Act.

Small loans.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of prohibiting the employment of children in factories, work-shops and mercantile establishments unless such children have attended school for at least thirty weeks during the year next preceding such employment ; and of imposing penalties for the violation of such provisions.

Children, em-  
ployment of, in  
factories, etc.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The following orders were severally adopted : —

On motion of Mr. West, —

*Ordered*, (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that the county tax and the expenditures for

Boston, city of,  
— taxation and  
indebtedness.

county purposes be excluded in determining the limit of indebtedness and the rate of taxation in the city of Boston.  
Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Baker, —

Inspector of  
Gas and Gas  
Meters, report  
of.

*Ordered*, That the annual report of the Inspector of Gas and Gas Meters be printed as a Senate document.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

##### Bills

Appropriations.

Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters;

Id.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater; and

Id.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury..

##### Bills

Hoosac Tunnel  
and Wilmington  
Railroad  
Company.

To amend chapter 208 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company (on the petition of the same); and

Plymouth and  
Kingston Street  
Railway  
Company.

To authorize the Plymouth and Kingston Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and increase its capital stock (on the petition of J. H. Cunningham and others); and

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
mileage to mem-  
bers of General  
Court.

A Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the payment of mileage to members of the General Court (on an order);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

#### *Message from the Governor.*

Message from  
the Governor, —  
Massachusetts  
fisheries.

The following message from His Excellency the Governor was read, and, with the accompanying documents, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Fisheries and Game, with instructions to report thereon within two weeks, to wit: —

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, Feb. 8, 1892.

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives.*

I inclose herewith for your consideration, a communication just received from representatives in Congress of Massachusetts, calling my attention to a bill which has been introduced in the

House of Representatives "To regulate the fisheries and for other purposes." A copy of the bill is herewith also submitted. The purpose and effect of the bill I am informed and believe is to nullify the laws of Massachusetts now in force for the protection of our fisheries, and to reverse what has become the established policy of this Commonwealth on this subject.

The bill has been referred to the committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries of the United States House of Representatives, and a hearing has been fixed by that committee for February 17. In my judgment, the matter is of such importance to this Commonwealth and so seriously affects one of her great industries that it demands your immediate consideration and action.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

### *Annual Reports.*

The following reports were severally referred, in concurrence :—

The annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners for the year 1891 ;

Harbor and Land Commissioners, report of.

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Second report of the Free Public Library Commissioners ;

Free Public Library Commissioners, report of.

To the committee on the Library.

Twenty-first annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons ;

Commissioners of Prisons, report of.

To the committee on Prisons.

Thirteenth annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity ;

State Board of Lunacy and Charity, report of.

To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Sixth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy for the year 1891 ;

Board of Registration in Pharmacy, report of.

To the committee on Public Health.

A report of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation, came up, referred to the committee on Labor.

State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation, report of.

Pending the question on concurring in the reference of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Parkman, laid on the table, in order that it might be printed, in accordance with the provisions of the law.

The House petitions

Of the North Adams Fire District for a general or special law enabling fire districts to borrow in anticipation of taxes ; and

North Adams Fire District.

South Adams  
Fire District.

Of the South Adams Fire District that its name may be changed and that the town of Adams may be authorized to issue its bonds and loan the same to said fire district ;

Severally came up, the House having, in each case, receded from its reference to the committee on Water Supply, and concurred in the reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

### *House Petitions.*

Northampton,  
city of, — an-  
nexation of a  
part of, to  
Holyoke.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Holyoke for the annexation of a part of the city of Northampton to the city of Holyoke, came up, referred to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

The question on concurring with the House in the suspension of the rule, was determined as follows, to wit :—

#### YEAS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
West, William H. — 12.

#### NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 22.

#### ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Eaton, William N.  
McDonald, James W.  
McNary, William S.

Messrs. Merritt, Christopher C.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 5.

So the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the rule (two thirds of the Senators present not having voted in the affirmative), and the petition was referred, under said rule, to the next General Court.

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence :—

A petition of Thomas Allen and others for the creation of a Fine Arts Commission ; and Fine Arts Commission.

Petitions of Alexander Pope and others ; Charles Cope-land and others ; and Stephen M. Crosby and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Thomas Allen and others for the creation of a Fine Arts Commission ; Id.

Severally to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

A petition of William S. Greenough and another for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ; Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

A petition of the selectmen of Marblehead in aid of the order relative to the unauthorized taking ballast from the beaches ; Ballast, removal of, from beaches.

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

A petition of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of the diocese of Springfield for the enactment of a law prohibiting the sale of malt and spirituous liquors by grocers ; and Intoxicating liquors, — sale by grocers.

Petitions of Mrs. O. A. Parent and others ; Helen E. Bennett and others ; Frank T. Pomeroy and others ; S. E. Bridgman and others ; Fanny H. Shepard and others ; Ellen E. Chaffee and others ; D. W. Hodgkins and others ; R. M. Peacock and others ; Albert Story and others ; Sarah F. Whiting and others ; Charles H. Chaponite and others ; Alice J. Carter and others ; Mary Smith and others ; B. F. Allen and others ; Lizzie Higgins and others ; P. J. Farwell and others ; George H. Warner and others ; Anna W. Rudd and others ; Margaret C. Farwell and others ; Jane C. Damon and others ; I. F. Woodbury and others ; Joseph Osgood and others ; Charles H. Vose and others ; Chauncey P. Judd and others ; W. W. Smith and others ; and Mrs. D. W. Burnham and others, — severally, that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor ; Intoxicating liquors, — agents.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

A petition of Harvey H. Pratt that an allowance may be made out of the treasury of the Commonwealth to cer- Settled, town of, — unpaid veterans.

tain veterans of the town of Scituate and heirs of deceased veterans ;

To the committee on Military Affairs.

Wellesley  
Congregational  
Church.

A petition of Albert Jennings and other members of the standing committee of the Wellesley Congregational Church for authority to remove the bodies interred in the Wellesley cemetery, and that said cemetery may be turned over to said Wellesley Congregational Church ;

To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

William H.  
Robinson.

A petition of George H. B. Green that William H. Robinson may be compensated for injuries received in the discharge of his duties at the State Primary School at Monson ; and

Manchester,  
town of, —  
Julia A. Stark.

A petition of the selectmen of Manchester that said town may be reimbursed for expenditures on account of Julia A. Stark, now an inmate of the Worcester Insane Asylum ;

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Revere Copper  
Company, —  
Massapoag  
Lake.

A petition of Fred F. Bryant and others for legislation to restrain the Revere Copper Company of Canton from drawing down the waters of Massapoag Lake to such an extent as to endanger public health ;

To the committee on Public Health.

Metropolitan  
Park Commission, — public  
reservations.

Petitions of Leverett Saltonstall and others ; W. P. P. Longfellow and others ; the town officers of Winthrop ; Charles Theodore Russell and others ; the town officers of Manchester ; Henry Saltonstall and others ; the town officers of Weymouth ; Charles W. Eliot and others ; Hugh O'Brien and others ; Mathew Luse and others ; the selectmen and others of Everett ; Charles H. Dalton and others ; and Woodward Emery and others, — severally, for legislation for the establishment of a Metropolitan Park Commission ; and

Public reservations.

A petition of Atkins Nickerson and others for an appropriation to be expended on the province lands by the trustees of Public Reservations ;

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

Grade crossings, — Boston  
and Maine  
Railroad.

A petition of John F. Fitzgerald and others that the grade crossings of the Boston and Maine Railroad on Causeway Street and Travers Street may be abolished ; and



A petition of John P. Squire & Co. and others in aid of the bill for interchangeable mileage tickets ;  
 Severally to the committee on Railroads. Mileage tickets on railroads.

A petition of the East Boston Woman Suffrage League that women may be permitted to vote for presidential electors and other officers ; Woman suffrage.

A petition of the East Boston Woman Suffrage League that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections ; and

Petitions of D. W. Burnham and others ; A. L. Putnam and others ; Alice A. H. Young and others ; Jane E. Damon and others ; Joseph Osgood and others ; J. S. Temple and others ; Mrs. George E. Phelps and others ; Annie M. Philbrick and others ; Helen E. Bennett and others ; I. F. Woodbury and others ; and C. M. Barrows and others, — severally, for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers ;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

### *House Orders.*

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that no public way shall be laid out, altered, widened, or discontinued in the city of Boston without the approval of the board of survey and the mayor of said city. Boston, city of,  
— laying of  
public ways.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of consolidating the board of street commissioners with the board of survey of the city of Boston, and of giving such consolidated department the powers now held by the board of street commissioners, and such other powers as the city council may determine. Boston, city of,  
— street com-  
missioners and  
board of survey.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of such legislation as will vest the construction of the public parks for the city of Boston in one of the regular departments of said city ; the work to be laid out by the board of park commissioners, with the approval of the mayor ; said board also to have the power Boston, city of,  
— public parks.

to purchase land for park purposes, with the approval of the mayor; the said parks as completed to be placed in charge of one of the regular departments of said city.

Boston, city of,  
— water board.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing that the surplus income received by the Boston water board from any source whatever be turned into the sinking fund for the benefit of any portion of the water debt.

Telephone  
companies, —  
charges for  
rental.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of regulating the charges made by telephone companies to cities and towns in the Commonwealth.

Corporations, —  
par value of  
shares, — notice  
of first meeting.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of authorizing corporations to commence business before the capital is fully paid, to fix the par of their shares at not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, and to dispense with seven day's notice of first meeting in certain cases.

General Court,  
— yea and nay  
votes.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of providing for the printing in pamphlet form of the yea and nay votes of the members of the Legislature, and the distribution of the same among the citizens of the Commonwealth.

Warm baths for  
the poor.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of compelling cities of fifty thousand inhabitants and over to provide free warm baths for the poor during the winter months.

Highways in  
towns.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of giving assistance to towns of less valuation than six hundred thousand dollars, in making permanent improvements on the principal highways in such towns.

Telephone and  
telegraph com-  
panies, taxation  
of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of giving cities and towns the right to tax all telephone and telegraph companies doing business in the Commonwealth, either on their poles, wires or instruments, or all.

Voters, resi-  
dence of, for the  
purpose of  
taxation.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of providing that, for the purpose of taxation, or voting or being voted for, for any office under the

Constitution or laws of this Commonwealth, each inhabitant of the Commonwealth shall be deemed an inhabitant on the first day of May, of that city or town in which he dwelt with the usual members of his family during the first three weeks of February next preceding.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Resolve providing for the collection by the Bureau of Statistics of Labor of certain statistics relative to families residing in rented tenements in the city of Boston, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Resolve.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 7 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1885, by inserting after the word "Act," in the third line thereof the words "and violations of section 2 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes;" also of amending section 9 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1885, by inserting after the word "retail," in the third line thereof the words "or expose or keep for sale;" and by inserting after the word "dollars," in the sixth line of said section the words "or imprisonment for not less than one or more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment," — was accepted. Senate report.

The Senate Report of the joint committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches, and to whom was referred the order relative to changing the name of the joint standing committee on the Library, to "committee on Libraries," recommending that joint rule No. 1 of the rules of last year be amended by striking out the words "the Library," in the clause "A committee on the Library," and inserting in place thereof, the word "Libraries;" and that, with the exception of this amendment and the amendments previously adopted, the joint rules of the year 1891 be observed as the rules of the present year, — was accepted. On motion of Mr. Parkman, Senate Rule 8 was suspended.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, at two minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, February 10, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of a Committee.*

Gettysburg  
Battlefield  
Memorial  
Association.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Resolve relating to the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association; and

Appropriations.

The House Bill making appropriations for the compensation and expenses of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game, — severally, ought to pass;

Id.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the House Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater, ought to pass; and

Id.

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the House Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Committee Discharged.*

Clothing made  
in unhealthy  
places.

Mr. Howard, from the committee on Labor, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the Governor's address as relates to the so-called "sweating system;" and the order relative to prohibiting the sale of clothing manufactured under unsanitary and unhealthful conditions, — and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Health;

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Introduced on Leave.*

Civil service  
commissioners,  
rooms for.

Mr. Reade of Suffolk (on leave, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), introduced a Resolve providing rooms for the use of the civil service commissioners, which was read and referred to the committee on State House.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Report.*

A report of the secretary of the State Board of Health, <sup>Arsenic.</sup> relative to the sale of articles containing arsenic, was referred to the committee on Public Health.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the assessment of damages caused <sup>Boston, city of,</sup> by the laying out, altering, discontinuance and specific <sup>— highways.</sup> repairs of highways in the city of Boston, — which was, yesterday, ordered to be taken from the files of last year (and on which the 12th joint rule was suspended), was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

*Election of a Councillor.*

At half-past two o'clock P. M., pursuant to assignment, the Senate proceeded to the election of a Councillor to fill the vacancy existing in the Sixth Councillor District by reason of the death of Charles F. Loring. <sup>Sixth Councillor District.</sup>

Mr. Raymond offered the following order:—

*Ordered,* That a committee of three be appointed to collect, sort and count the votes for a Councillor in the Sixth Councillor District.

The order was adopted and Messrs. Raymond, Carter and Nutter were appointed said committee. And the votes having been collected, sorted and counted, Mr. Raymond, from the committee, reported as follows:—

Whole number of votes cast, . . . . .	39
Necessary for a choice, . . . . .	20
William B. de Las Casas of Malden had . . . . .	15
Alonzo H. Evans of Everett had . . . . .	24

And Mr. Evans was declared elected on the part of the Senate. Notice thereof was sent to the House.

*PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.*

A Bill making appropriations for incidental, contingent <sup>Appropriations.</sup> and miscellaneous expenses of the various commissions of the Commonwealth, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

A Bill to authorize the Home for Aged Men to hold <sup>Home for Aged Men.</sup> additional real and personal estate (on the petition of the

same), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

**State printing.** A Resolve in relation to the State printing (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Printing.

**Boards of health in towns.** A Bill providing for the election of boards of health in towns (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

**Liens.** The House order, — That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending the law relating to liens on buildings and land, Public Statutes, chapter 191, otherwise known as the "mechanics' lien law," so that mechanics, laborers, or other persons who furnish materials with their labor shall be given a lien for such materials on the same basis as for labor, without being required to give written notice to the owner in advance that they intend to claim a lien therefor, — came up, the House having concurred in the adoption of the Senate amendment striking out the words "committee on Labor," and inserting in place thereof the words "joint committee on the Judiciary."

**Intoxicating liquors, — Licensing boards in cities.** The House order, — That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 28 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, by striking out in the fourth line the word "may," and inserting in place thereof the word "shall;" and by striking out all after the word "commissioners," in the fifth line and inserting in place thereof the following: "Who shall be appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the aldermen, and such board shall consist of three inhabitants of said city. The mayor and aldermen shall, on the first Monday of April, 1892, appoint three commissioners, one for three years, one for two years and one for one year respectively, and annually thereafter on the first Monday of April, one commissioner for three years, who shall hold office until his successor is appointed and confirmed. These commissioners shall receive such compensation as the mayor and aldermen shall determine, and such compensation shall be paid from the money received from license fees," — came up, the House having concurred in the adoption of the Senate amendment striking out the words "committee on the Liquor Law,"

and inserting in place thereof the words "joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions."

The House order, — That the committee on Railroads consider whether any further legislation is necessary or expedient in relation to the liability of railroad corporations for fires communicated by their locomotive engines, or in relation to insurance by owners of property injured thereby, so that the net amount received on such insurance may be deducted from the damages caused by such fire, — came up, the House having concurred in the adoption of the Senate amendment striking out the words "committee on Railroads," and inserting in place thereof the words "joint committee on the Judiciary."

Railroad corporations, — liability for damages caused by fire.

The House order, — That the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of legislation which shall make more distinct the meaning of that part of section 5 of chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1891, which determines the tenure of office of the water commissioners of the city of Haverhill, — came up, the House having concurred in the adoption of the Senate amendment striking out the words "committee on Water Supply," and inserting in place thereof the words "joint committee on the Judiciary."

Haverhill, city of, — water commissioners.

### *House Petitions.*

A petition of Augustin Thompson for the establishment of a commission of medical science, came up, referred to the committee on Public Health.

Medical science.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

Petitions of Ethan Brooks and others; Charles H. Monk and others; Reuben Brooks and others; E. P. Tabor and others; Wellington Smith and others; and J. C. Phillips and others, — severally, that no person convicted in this Commonwealth of a crime shall for a limited time thereafter have the right of suffrage, came up, severally referred to the committee on Election Laws.

Disfranchisement of criminals, — right of suffrage.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the petitions were severally referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Intoxicating  
liquors, agents  
for the sale of.

Petitions of Mrs. F. A. DeWolf and others ; T. B. Drew and others ; and Ira Hunt and others, — severally, that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor ;

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Prisoners, —  
number em-  
ployed in mak-  
ing harnesses.

A petition of George Joscelyn that the number of inmates of prisons employed in the manufacture of harnesses shall not exceed fifty ;

To the committee on Prisons.

Chief clerk of  
the State Board  
of Agriculture,  
salary of.

A petition of members of the State Board of Agriculture in aid of the petition of the chief clerk of said board for an increase of salary ;

To the committee on Public Service.

Boston, city of,  
— taking of  
land for city  
hall near State  
House.

A petition of A. J. Bailey for legislation authorizing the taking of land near the State House by the State House Commissioners in case a city hall is erected near the State House ;

To the committee on the State House.

Tisbury, town  
of, — division.

A petition of Henry W. Look and others in aid of the petition of Allen Look and others for a division of the town of Tisbury ;

To the committee on Towns.

Woman  
suffrage.

Petitions of Mrs. F. A. DeWolf and others ; and H. N. P. Hubbard and others, — severally, for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers ;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

### *House Orders.*

The following House order was considered : —

Highways. —  
taking of land  
for the purpose  
of construction.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of amending section 88 of chapter 49 of the Public Statutes, by providing that the time within which it is necessary to take possession of land for the purpose of constructing a public way, may be ex-



tended by agreement with the land owner, either before or after laying out such way, and that agreements may be made in regard to laying sewers, water pipes, and other structures therein before the same is laid out.

On motion of Mr. McNary, the order was amended by striking out the words "committee on Roads and Bridges," and inserting in place thereof the words "joint committee on the Judiciary." The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The following House order was considered : —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of empowering authorities having jurisdiction in the matter of public ways, to prescribe a uniform line at a distance from and parallel to each side line of a public way, and to prevent thereafter any building to be placed on land abutting on such way nearer thereto than such prescribed line. Buildings on public ways.

On motion of Mr. McNary, the order was amended by striking out the words "committee on Roads and Bridges," and inserting in place thereof the words "joint committee on the Judiciary." The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The following House order was considered : —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of providing that towns, for the purpose of constructing ways and locating anew, altering and widening existing ways, with a view to the wants of the future, may incur a debt beyond the legal debt limit, and repayable within a period not exceeding fifty years. Highways in towns.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the order was amended by striking out the words "Roads and Bridges," and inserting in place thereof the word "Towns." The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of requiring seedsmen to guarantee the quality of seeds sold by them, or creating an implied guarantee of good quality in the case of sales of seeds. Seeds.

**Dogs.**

*Ordered,* That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending section 82 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, relative to special licenses for the keeping of dogs for breeding purposes, so that the fee for every license may be five dollars for a male dog and ten dollars for a female dog.

**Massachusetts  
Agricultural  
College.**

*Ordered,* That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of acting on the recommendations for appropriations, made in the report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, January, 1892.

**Trees.**

*Ordered,* That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending chapter 196 of the Acts of the year 1890, relative to preserving ornamental and shade trees on the highways, so that the officials charged by said act with the duty of designating trees for preservation and with the duty of renewing the marks at certain seasons of the year, may also make such designations and renew such marks at other times in their discretion.

**Boston, city of,  
— sinking fund  
commissioners.**

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of such legislation as will enable the city of Boston, or the sinking fund commissioners thereof, to cancel and extinguish the obligations of the city now or hereafter held by said commissioners.

**Boston, city of,  
— registrar of  
births, marriages  
and deaths.**

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of establishing the office of registrar of births, marriages and deaths in the city of Boston, and of making such amendments to chapter 32 of the Public Statutes, relative to the registry and return of births, marriages and deaths, as may be made necessary by the establishment of said office.

**Boston, city of,  
— highways.**

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider what changes are necessary or expedient to be made in chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston, and the powers and duties and manner of appointment of the different officers named therein.

**Hours of labor,  
— eight-hour  
law.**

*Ordered,* That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of limiting the number of hours which shall constitute a day's work in all cases of employment; also the expediency of making eight hours the limit of a day's work.

*Ordered,* That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation whereby the prescription and sale of intoxicating liquors be subjected to the restrictions and limitations that now apply to poisons, in accordance with the provisions of sections 1, 2 and 3 of chapter 209 of the Acts of the year 1888.

Intoxicating  
liquors.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of making such amendments in the militia laws as may be made necessary by the new drill regulations recently adopted by the United States and State government.

Militia, — drill  
regulations.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of repealing section 82 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the payment of a fee by railroad corporations for printing their annual reports.

Railroad  
corporations, —  
annual reports.

*Ordered,* That the committee on State House consider the expediency of appropriating a certain sum of money wherewith to buy or build a residence adjoining the State House, to be used by the Governor of the Commonwealth as an Executive mansion.

Executive  
mansion.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of amending section 82 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the payment of a fee by railroad corporations for printing their annual reports, so that its provisions will apply to street railway corporations also.

Street railway  
corporations, —  
annual reports.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Taxation inquire whether any legislation is necessary in amendment of chapter 197 of the Acts of the year 1890, in relation to taxes on casualty, employers' liability and accident insurance companies, so that there may be deducted from premiums taxed return premiums paid by said companies, and premiums on cancelled policies.

Casualty, em-  
ployers' lia-  
bility and acci-  
dent insurance  
companies,  
taxation of.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending section 20 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, by adding at the end of the fifth clause thereof the words "provided, said personal property is not legally taxed in any other State;" so that personal property held in trust by a non-resident executor, administrator or trustee shall not be subject to double taxation.

Personal  
property, —  
double taxation.

Taxation,—  
exemption of  
mortgagee's  
interest from.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending sections 13, 14, 15 and 16 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, so that the interest of the mortgagee in the real estate exempt from taxation under the third and seventh clauses of section 5 of said chapter shall be exempt from taxation under the laws of this Commonwealth.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Intoxicating  
liquors,— trans-  
portation by  
common  
carriers.

The Bill to further regulate the transportation of intoxicating liquors by common carriers and others, was read a second time and considered, and, pending the question on ordering the same to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, postponed until to-morrow.

Bills.

The bills

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses ;  
To amend chapter 208 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company ; and

To authorize the Plymouth and Kingston Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and increase its capital stock ; and

Resolves.

The resolves

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ; and  
Providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the payment of mileage to members of the General Court ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate resolve.

The Senate Resolve providing for the collection by the Bureau of Statistics of Labor of certain statistics relative to families residing in rented tenements in the city of Boston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Meade, at twenty minutes before three o'clock P. M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, February 11, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treas- Appropriations.  
ury, that the House Bill making appropriations for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters, ought to pass; and

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the Gypsy moth.  
House Resolve providing against depredations by the insect known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr Southwick, from the committee on Expendi-  
tures, that the Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Gardiner Tufts, ought to pass; Widow of the late Gardiner Tufts.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Committee Discharged.*

Mr. Dame, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, Fisheries, regulation of.  
reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the message from His Excellency the Governor relative to a bill "to regulate the fisheries and for other purposes," (introduced into the National House of Representatives) with accompanying documents, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary;

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Introduced on Leave.*

Gambling.

Mr. Champlin (on leave, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), introduced a Bill relating to obstructions in buildings resorted to for the purpose of unlawful gaming, which was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

*Petitions, etc.*

The following petitions, etc., were severally presented and referred : —

Buzzard's Bay,  
— fisheries.

By Mr. Butler, a petition of H. H. Brownell and others for such legislation as will exclude from the waters of Buzzard's Bay all traps, pounds, weirs, etc; and

Id.

By the same Senator, a remonstrance of Theodore Cleveland and others against any change in the law relating to the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay ;

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Woman  
suffrage.

By Mr. Champlin, petitions of I. M. Woolson and others for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers ;

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Order Adopted.*

The following order (being a new draft of an order deposited with the clerk prior to adjournment on Wednesday, February 3), was adopted : —

On motion of Mr. Hickox, —

Cattle shows,  
etc., preservation  
of order at.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of so amending section 15 of chapter 114 of the Public Statutes, relative to agricultural and horticultural societies, that cities and towns where cattle shows and agricultural or horticultural exhibitions are held, shall be required to furnish as many police officers as may be necessary to preserve the public peace and good order at such cattle shows and exhibitions.

Sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Bills

To establish the salary of the third assistant clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business (on the petition of Oscar F. Timlin) ;

Third assistant clerk of municipal court of city of Boston, salary of.

To establish the salary of the justice of the East Boston district court (on an order) ; and

Justice of East Boston district court, salary of.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the courts for the county of Barnstable (on the petition of Smith K. Hopkins) ;

Clerk of courts for Barnstable County, salary of.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

## Bills

To authorize the Boston Rubber Shoe Company to increase its capital stock (on the petition of the same) ; and

Boston Rubber Shoe Company.

Relative to the East Gloucester Baptist Society (on the petition of Thomas Renton and others) ;

East Gloucester Baptist Society.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Report.*

A report of the Topographical Survey Commission came up : and the several portions thereof were referred, in concurrence, as follows : —

So much of the report as relates to an appropriation for continuing the survey, to the committee on Expenditures ; and

Topog. ical Survey Com. mission, report of.

The residue thereof, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

The Senate order, — That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of amending chapter 388 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to the discharge of small loans, so that a penalty may be imposed for the violation of the provisions of said act, — came up, adopted by the House, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out the words “ committee on Banks and Banking,” and inserting in place thereof the words “ joint committee on the Judiciary.”

Small loans, discharge of.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended and the question on concurring in the adoption

of the amendment was considered forthwith. The Senate then concurred in the adoption of the amendment.

### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence: —

Commissioner  
of Public  
Records.

A petition of George White, judge of the probate court of Norfolk county, and others in aid of the bill to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records; To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Boston fire  
department, —  
pensions.

A petition of Henry S. Worrall that members of the Boston fire department who were injured in the discharge of their duty and retired from the force before the taking effect of the present law relating to pensions, may be enabled to receive pensions;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.

Lobsters.

Petitions of Walter E. Bowman and others; J. F. Allen and others; and Eugene B. Gifford and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of the selectmen of Gosnold that it may be made lawful to sell lobsters nine and one-half inches in length;

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Plymouth, town  
of, — Herring  
River fisheries.

A petition of the selectmen of Plymouth for a share of the profits of the Herring River fisheries, now appropriated by the town of Bourne;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
agents.

Petitions of H. C. Coombs and others; J. Wallace Grace and others; Marion W. Webber and others; W. F. Cayle and others; George L. Munn and others; and George S. Calton and others, — severally, that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor;

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Chestnut Hill  
Real Estate  
Association.

A petition of the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association for a decrease of its capital stock;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.



A petition of George H. Ross that he may be made eligible to receive State aid ; George H. Ross.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petitions of the mayor of the city of Woburn and others ; J. W. Hammond and others ; P. D. Richards and others ; Sylvester Baxter and others ; George W. Walker and others ; Edward Ginn and others ; William L. Candler and others ; H. R. Legate and others ; A. H. Davenport and others ; E. F. Bickford and others ; J. R. Leeson and others ; and Herbert L. Morse and others, — severally, for legislation for the establishment of a Metropolitan Park Commission ; Metropolitan Park Commission, — public reservations.

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

A petition of Robert Templeman and others in aid of the petition of John W. Dobbie and others for legislation requiring railroad companies to maintain a suitable crossing to land cut off from the highway by a railroad ; Railroads, — private crossings.

To the committee on Railroads.

A petition of George F. Morse and others of Fitchburg and Leominster, supplementary to the petition of the Fitchburg and Leominster Street Railway companies, and asking authority for an increase of capital stock ; Fitchburg and Leominster Street Railway Companies.

Under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

A petition of the selectmen of Plymouth for authority to discontinue Town Dock, so-called, as a public landing place ; Plymouth, town of, — Town Dock.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Towns.

Petitions of H. C. Coombs and others ; Mary C. Farrell and others ; and Caleb Murdock and others, — severally, for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers ; Woman suffrage.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

*House Order Laid Over.*

The question on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the following House order, was, at the request of Mr. Parkman, postponed until to-morrow, to wit: —

Railroads, —  
free passes to  
members of the  
General Court.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of requiring each railroad corporation operating any railroad in the Commonwealth to furnish a free pass over such railroad to each member of the General Court, which shall hold good during such member's term of office.

*House Orders.*

The following House order was considered: —

Nomination  
conventions or  
meetings.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of a law which shall require as far as practicable the use of the Australian ballot system at nominating conventions or meetings, for State and city elective offices.

Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the order, it was amended, on motion of Mr. Smith, by striking out the words "use of the Australian ballot system," and inserting in place thereof the following words: "applications of the provisions of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled: 'An Act to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense and to regulate voting at State and city elections,' and acts in amendment thereof or supplementary thereto." The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Lobby.

The following House order was considered: —

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of further legislation by which all professional tramps, otherwise known as legislative agents, lobbyists, or third house members, be excluded from the reading and cloak rooms of the State House, and, in the plying of their vocation, be limited to the lower floors of the building.

Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the order, it was amended, on motion of Mr. Parkman, by striking out the words "professional tramps, otherwise

known as ;" by inserting before the word "lobbyists," the word "or;" by striking out the words "or third house members;" and by striking out the words "and, in the plying of their vocation, be limited to the lower floors of the building." The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of granting to societies for the promotion of horticulture having not less than 100 members, or less than one thousand dollars at interest, the privileges of agricultural societies, including representation in the meetings of the Board of Agriculture, and allowing to said societies the same benefits from the State which agricultural societies receive. State Board of Agriculture, — horticultural societies.

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending section 94 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, so that it shall read as follows: "The mayor and aldermen of a city, or selectmen of a town in which there are oyster-beds, may grant a permit in writing to any person to take oysters from their beds at such times, in such quantities, and for such uses as they shall express in their permits; and every inhabitant of such city or town, except the town of Yarmouth, may without such permit, take oysters from their beds therein for the use of his family from the first day of September to the first day of June, not exceeding in any week two bushels including their shells." Oysters.

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of the State joining with some municipality in the expense in experiments for the purification of sewage or the destruction or utilization of solids contained in sewage. Sewage.

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of authorizing county commissioners and selectmen, when laying out, altering, locating anew or Highways, — reservation of portions of, for street railway and other purposes.

widening public ways, to reserve a part of such way for street railway purposes and other purposes not inconsistent with its use as a public way.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
transportation  
by common  
carriers.

The Bill to further regulate the transportation of intoxicating liquors by common carriers and others, was considered, the question being on ordering the same to a third reading.

Point of order.

Pending this question, Mr. Coveney rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that the bill was beyond the scope of the petitions on which it was based. Pending the decision by the chair on the point of order, the further consideration of the bill was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until Tuesday, Feb. 16, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

The bills

Bills.

Making appropriations for the compensation and expenses of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury; and

To authorize the Home for Aged Men to hold additional real and personal estate; and

Resolve.

The Resolve relating to the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate resolve.

The Senate Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

House bills.

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses; and

To authorize the Plymouth and Kingston Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and increase its capital stock;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the payment of mileage to members of the General Court, was read a third time and considered. Mr. Merritt moved that the Resolve be laid upon the table, and this motion was lost by a vote of 13 to 15. The resolve was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence; and the vote on agreeing to the Article of Amendment was taken by a call of the yeas and nays, as provided by the Constitution, as follows, to wit:—

Constitutional  
amendment,—  
mileage to  
members of  
General Court.

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Drury, John E.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Provin, William  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F.— 32.

## NAYS.

Mr. John W. Coveney.

Mr. Christopher C. Merritt.— 2.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.  
Eaton, William N.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
Mott, Edward— 5.

So the Article of Amendment was agreed to, a majority of the Senators, present and voting thereon, having voted in the affirmative.

The Resolve and Article of Amendment were as follows:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to alter the Constitution of this Commonwealth by the adoption of the subjoined Article of Amendment; and that the said article, being agreed to by a majority of the senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives, present

and voting thereon, be entered on the journals of both houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, and referred to the General Court next to be chosen; and that the said article be published, to the end that, if agreed to in the manner provided by the Constitution, by the General Court next to be chosen, it may be submitted to the people for their approval and ratification, in order that it may become a part of the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

#### ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

So much of article two of section three of chapter one of the Constitution of the Commonwealth as is contained in the following words "the expenses of travelling to the general assembly and returning home once in every session and no more shall be paid by the government out of the public treasury to every member who shall attend as seasonably as he can in the judgment of the house and does not depart without leave," is hereby annulled.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, at two minutes past three o'clock P. M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P. M.

FRIDAY, February 12, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the mayor of said city, a Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to raise money for the celebration of the 250th anniversary of its incorporation as a town; and

Woburn, city of, — 250th anniversary.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the same, a Bill to further extend the time of exemption of the city of Brockton from the operation of an Act relative to the limit of the municipal debt and the rate of taxation in cities;

Brockton, city of, — municipal indebtedness.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

By Mr. Drury, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth;

Governor of the Commonwealth, salary of.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

By Mr. Raymond, from the committee on Railroads, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the subject, and on an order, Resolutions relating to the adoption of national legislation providing for the use of improved car couplers and brakes, and the greater safety of passengers;

Railroads, car couplers and brakes.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

*Taken from the Files of Last Year.*

On motion of Mr. McNary, the clerk was directed to take from the files of last year the petition of the constables of the municipal court of the South Boston district in the city of Boston that their salaries may be increased. On further motion of the same Senator, the 12th joint rule was suspended thereon and the petition was, in accordance with the provisions of Senate Rule No. 20, submitted to the committee on Rules, for inspection.

Constables of South Boston municipal court, salaries of.

*Remonstrance.*

Tisbury, town  
of, — division  
of.

Mr. Simpkins presented a remonstrance of Peter Lynch and others against the division of the town of Tisbury, which was referred to the committee on Towns.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Nichols, —

Ready made  
clothing,  
finishers of.

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of so amending section 1 of chapter 357 of the Acts of the year 1891, as to provide that finishers of ready made clothing shall procure a license before commencing the labor of so finishing; and of so amending section 4 of said chapter 357, as to provide that the words "tenement made," shall be printed or written on the label required by said section.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Meade, —

College medical  
degrees.

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of making it a punishable offence to falsely assume a college medical degree with intent to defraud.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Bills

Justice and  
clerk of police  
court of Marl-  
borough,  
salaries of.  
Appropriations.

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Marlborough (on an order and petitions in aid thereof);

Id.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough;

Id.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

## Reports

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw:



On the petitions of Rufus S. Frost and others that a three-fifths vote shall be necessary to authorize the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor, and that a decision in the negative upon the question of granting licenses shall stand for three years ; and

Intoxicating  
liquors, — vote  
on question of  
granting  
licenses.

On the petition of L. Edwin Dudley for legislation *id.* providing that a vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses shall stand for three years, and changing the time when licenses shall take effect.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Charles A. Belcher and others for an act of incorporation as the Monatiquot Cemetery ; and

Monatiquot  
Cemetery.

On the petition of Josiah H. Horton and others for incorporation as the Eastham Cemetery Association ;

Eastham  
Cemetery  
Association.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

### *Election of a Councillor.*

Notice was received from the House that Hon. Frank W. Howe of Lowell had been elected, on the part of that branch, Councillor for the Sixth Councillor district, to fill the vacancy existing by reason of the death of the late Charles F. Loring.

Sixth Councillor  
district.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Parkman, —

*Ordered*, That the hour of two and one-half o'clock P.M. *id.* on Tuesday, February sixteenth, be assigned for the choice, on the part of the Senate, of a Councillor in the Sixth Councillor district, to fill the vacancy existing in said district by reason of the death of Charles F. Loring.

### *House Petitions.*

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the following House petitions, which were severally returned to the House for its action, to wit : —

A petition of Edward L. Tead for legalization of his acts as justice of the peace ;

Edward L.  
Tead.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Warren that the vote of said town to authorize the treasurer to borrow money for the expenses of altering grade crossings be legalized ; and

Warren, town  
of, — grade  
crossings.

Corporations,—  
proxy voting.

A petition of Alexander H. Rice, Josiah Quincy and others that section 27 of chapter 106 of the Public Statutes be so amended that the members of all corporations may vote by proxy.

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Boston, city of,  
— street from  
Park and Tremont  
streets to  
Cambridge  
Street.

A petition of A. J. Bailey for legislation authorizing the commissioners on the State House to lay out a street of easy grade from the corner of Park and Tremont streets to Cambridge Street ;

To the committee on Cities.

Lobsters.

A petition of Luther C. Athearn and others in aid of the petition of the selectmen of the town of Gosnold and others that it may be made lawful to sell lobsters nine and one-half inches in length ;

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Laborers, con-  
dition of.

A petition of Martha J. Padden and others in aid of the petition of the Wendell Phillips Woman's Club for an investigation into the condition of laborers ;

To the committee on Labor.

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
agents.

A petition of Nellie M. W. Wood and others that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor ;

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Railroads, —  
mileage tickets.

A petition of Weston Lewis and others in aid of the bill for interchangeable mileage tickets ;

To the committee on Railroads.

Single tax.

A petition of William Lloyd Garrison and others for the collection of all public revenue from the land by a single tax on its site rental value ; and

Id.

Petitions of Ralph B. Hilton and others for the collection of all taxes by a single tax upon land according to its value and irrespective of all improvements ;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each case, to the committee on Taxation.

Williamstown  
Water Com-  
pany.

A petition of Fred E. Moore and others that the Williamstown Water Company may be authorized to take an additional water supply ;

Under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, to

the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

A petition of the city of Brockton for authority to effect an additional water loan to the amount of \$100,000 ;

Brockton, city of, — water loan.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

A petition of Julia Ward Howe and other officers of the Massachusetts Woman Suffrage Association that women may be enabled to vote in all town and city elections and for all town and city officers upon the same terms as men ; and

Woman suffrage.

A petition of Amy A. Moore and others for legislation <sup>1a.</sup> giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers ;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

#### *House Order.*

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), <sup>Street railways.</sup> That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of requiring all street railway companies to attach to their cars a bell which will ring continuously, either by connection with the motor or otherwise, or of providing some system of continuous alarm which will give proper warning of the approach of cars.

#### *Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To extend the time for building a public highway bridge across the reserved channel in South Boston ;

To authorize the appointment of an Executive Stenographer ;

Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the act relative to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth ;

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the volunteer militia, and for other expenses of the military department ;

Making an appropriation for the Commonwealth's flats improvement fund ; and

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses.

Resolve passed,  
etc.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (which originated in the Senate), was passed, and, with the above-named bills, was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

The following House order, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was considered : —

Railroads, —  
free passes to  
members of the  
General Court.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of requiring each railroad corporation operating any railroad in the Commonwealth to furnish a free pass over such railroad to each member of the General Court, which shall hold good during such member's term of office.

Pending the question on the adoption of the order, in concurrence, it was, on motion of Mr. Parkman, laid on the table.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Hoosac Tunnel  
and Wilmington  
Railroad  
Company.

The House Bill to amend chapter 208 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company, was read a third time and considered. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following : —

SECTION 1. Section three of chapter two hundred and eight of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "act," in the third line thereof the words "and for the construction of extensions and branches of its railroad line as shall be hereafter determined," and by striking out the word "upon," in the fourth line of said section and inserting in place thereof the word "on ;" also by inserting after the word "line," in the sixth line the words "and upon any

extensions and branches which shall be constructed and made thereto ;" by striking out the word " either," in the twelfth line and inserting in place thereof the word " any ;" and by striking out the words " by this act," in the fourteenth line and inserting in place thereof the words " and actually paid in at the time of the issue of the bonds," so as to read as follows : —

"*Sect. 3.* The Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington railroad company, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act and for the construction of extensions and branches of its railroad line as shall be hereafter determined, is hereby authorized to issue bonds on its existing railroad, and if the Deerfield Valley railroad be purchased and consolidated as herein provided, then upon the whole line, and upon any extensions and branches which shall be constructed and made thereto, to an amount not exceeding eight thousand dollars per mile for narrow guage track and fifteen thousand dollars per mile for standard guage track, said bonds to be issued, recorded and approved in accordance with the provisions of section sixty-two of chapter one hundred and twelve of the Public Statutes, and acts amendatory thereof: *provided*, that in any case the amount of bonds so issued shall not exceed the capital stock authorized and actually paid in at the time of the issue of the bonds."

*SECT. 2.* To secure the bonds issued under the provisions of the said third section as amended by this Act, the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company is hereby authorized to give to trustees for the holders of said bonds a mortgage of its railroad, stations, rolling stock, equipments, property, real and personal, and franchises wherever and however situate, now acquired or hereafter to be acquired, whether under the provisions of said chapter two hundred and eight or otherwise, and all extensions and branches which shall be hereafter constructed and made to the line and property now owned by it or hereafter acquired by it.

*SECT. 3.* This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Also that the title be amended by striking out the words " to amend chapter two hundred and eight of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one."

The amendments were adopted, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

- The bills**
- Bills.**        Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters ;  
              To authorize the Boston Rubber Shoe Company to increase its capital stock ; and  
              Relative to the East Gloucester Baptist Society ; and  
              The resolves
- Resolves.**    In favor of the widow of the late Gardiner Tufts ; and  
              Providing against depredations by the insect known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth ;  
              Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.
- Senate resolve.**    The Senate Resolve relating to the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.  
                              Sent down for concurrence.
- The House bills**
- House bills.**    Making appropriations for the compensation and expenses of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game ;  
                      Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;  
                      Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ; and  
                      To authorize the Home for Aged Men to hold additional real and personal estate ;  
                      Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.
- On motion of Mr. Butler, at twelve minutes before two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, February 15, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill to establish the number of officers in attendance upon the Superior and Supreme Judicial Courts for the county of Middlesex, and in relation to their duties and salaries (introduced on leave), ought to pass, in a new draft entitled: "An Act to establish the number of officers in attendance upon the Superior and Supreme Judicial Courts for the county of Middlesex, to define their duties and to establish their salaries;"

Superior and Supreme Courts for the county of Middlesex, number of officers in attendance upon.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various commissions of the Commonwealth, ought to pass; and

Appropriations.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the House Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the same, a Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the completion of a new city hall building;

Brockton, city of,—city hall.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred:—

By Mr. Parkman, a petition of the Benevolent Fraternity of Churches for leave to hold additional real and personal estate;

Benevolent Fraternity of Churches.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Municipal  
bonds, taxa-  
tion of.

By Mr. Wyer, a petition of the mayor of the city of Woburn for such legislation as shall exempt municipal bonds from taxation ;

To the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Constables of  
South Boston  
municipal  
court, salaries  
of.

The petition of the constables of the municipal court of the South Boston district in the city of Boston that their salaries may be increased, which was, on Friday last, ordered to be taken from the files of last year (and on which the 12th joint rule was suspended), was laid before the Senate and was referred to the committee on Public Service.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

##### Bills

East Side Street  
Railway Com-  
pany, —  
Brockton Street  
Railway  
Company.

To authorize the East Side Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company (on the petition of the former company) ; and

Whitman Street  
Railway Com-  
pany, — Brock-  
ton Street  
Railway Com-  
pany.

To authorize the Whitman Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company (on the petition of the former company) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Louisiana  
Lottery Com-  
pany.

A Report of the committee on Federal Relations, no legislation necessary, on the order relative to requesting the Senators and Representatives of this Commonwealth in Congress to use their efforts to secure the enactment of such laws as will prevent the use of the mails by the Louisiana Lottery Company and other lottery companies ;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

#### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Norfolk, county  
of, — district  
court.

A petition of Rufus G. Fairbanks and others in aid of the petition of Bracey Curtis and others for the establishment of a new district court in Norfolk County ;

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.



A petition of Thomas Dowling and others of Fairhaven in aid of the petition of John J. Bryant and others for the modification of the law prohibiting seining in the waters of Buzzard's Bay ; Buzzard's Bay, — fisheries.

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petitions of W. H. Sewart and others ; M. F. Marsh and others ; W. G. Muzzey and others ; and Harriet M. Coolidge and others, — severally, that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor ; Intoxicating liquors, — agents.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

A petition of Charles E. Harris that Sergt. William H. Carney Camp, No. 82, Division of Massachusetts, Sons of Veterans, may be permitted to bear arms while on parade ; Sons of Veterans.

To the committee on Military Affairs.

A petition of the Housatonic Water Company for authority to hold additional real estate, to increase its capital stock, and to take an additional water supply ; Housatonic Water Company.

Under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Petitions of W. H. Stewart and others ; M. F. Marsh and others ; and Cora B. Knight and others, — severally, for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers ; Woman suffrage.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

### *House Orders.*

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the following House order and the same was returned to the House for its action, to wit : —

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of extending the powers of cities and towns so as to give them power to insert and require conditions and other limitations in permissions given under section 92 of chapter 80 of the Public Statutes, to carry on the business of slaughtering, melting or rendering, and other noxious and offensive trades within their territory. Noxious and offensive trades.

The following House order was considered : —

Pilot commis-  
sioners of the  
harbor of  
Boston.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 70 of the Public Statutes, relating to the pilot commissioners for the harbor of Boston, so as to remove from the Boston Marine Society the nomination of said commissioners and place the appointment of the same in some other authority, or of abolishing the present commission and establishing a new one; and also to provide for the compensation and duties of said commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, the order was amended by striking out the words "joint committee on the Judiciary," and inserting in place thereof the words "joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions." The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The following House order was considered : —

Water supply  
of cities and  
towns.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of enacting a general law governing all cities and towns having a public water supply.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the order was amended by striking out the words "having a public water supply," and inserting in place thereof the words "in introducing, extending, regulating and maintaining systems of public water supply." The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

Bills.

To authorize the city of Woburn to raise money for the celebration of the 250th anniversary of its incorporation as a town; and

To further extend the time of exemption of the city of Brockton from the operation of an act relative to the limit of the municipal debt and the rate of taxation in cities;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Car couplers.

Resolutions relating to the adoption of national legislation providing for the use of improved car couplers and

brakes, and the greater safety of passengers, were considered and amended, on motion of Mr. Simpkins, by inserting in line 22, after the word "that," the word "of;" and in line 23, by inserting after the word "Court," the words "two members on the part of the Senate and three members on the part of the House." The resolutions were then adopted as follows: —

*Whereas*, resolutions were adopted by the last General Court relative to urging upon Congress the adoption of legislation providing for the use of improved car couplers and brakes and improved devices for the safety of passengers upon railroads, and a committee of members of the last General Court was appointed to proceed to Washington and represent to the appropriate committee or committees of Congress the need of such legislation, which committee has been unable to discharge its duties as yet, owing to the fact that the proper time has not arrived; and

*Whereas*, it is desirable that there should be an expression of the opinion of the present General Court upon the same subject and a committee appointed to act with the committee of last year, —

*Resolved*, That in the opinion of this General Court legislation should be enacted by Congress which will tend to prevent the loss of life resulting from the present dangerous and imperfect methods of car coupling and insufficient brakes, and from the present methods of heating, lighting and operating railway cars;

*Resolved*, That of the joint committee on Railroads of the present General Court, two members on the part of the Senate and three members on the part of the House be instructed to proceed to Washington and act with the committee of the last General Court in urging this matter upon the attention of the appropriate committee or committees of Congress.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Raymond, Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended.

The Senate Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Gardiner Tufts, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Senate resolve.

Sent down for concurrence.

## The House bills

## House bills.

Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters ; and

To authorize the Boston Rubber Shoe Company to increase its capital stock ; and

## House resolve.

The House Resolve providing against depredations by the insect known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

## East Gloucester Baptist Society.

The House Bill relative to the East Gloucester Baptist Society, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. On motion of Mr. Simpkins, the bill was amended by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following new title : " An Act to change the name of the East Gloucester Baptist Society and to define its powers."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

## The House reports

## House reports.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Rufus S. Frost and others that a three-fifths vote shall be necessary to authorize the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, and that a decision in the negative on the question of granting licenses shall stand for three years ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of L. Edwin Dudley for legislation providing that a vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses shall stand for three years, and changing the time when licenses shall take effect ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles A. Belcher and others for an act of incorporation as the Monatiquot Cemetery ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Josiah H. Horton and others, for incorporation as the Eastham Cemetery Association ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Butler, at twenty-five minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, February 16, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth, ought to pass, with an amendment in section 3, striking out the word "present," and inserting in place thereof the word "next;"

Governor of the  
Common-  
wealth, salary  
of.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough, ought to pass; and

Appropriations.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the House Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the same, a Bill to amend the charter of the city of Brockton relating to assistant assessors; and

Brockton, city  
of, — assistant  
assessors.

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of Edwin T. Marble, a Bill to change the name of the Old Men's Home in the city of Worcester;

Old Men's  
Home in the  
city of  
Worcester.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Ray, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edwin M. Chamberlin that all legislative acts, orders and resolves passed by the General Court be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection, and for similar submission to the popular vote, of any proposed law, for the enactment of which five thousand citizens unite in petitioning; and

Legislative  
acts, submission  
of, to the people  
for ratification.

Canal from  
Buzzard's Bay  
to Barnstable  
Bay.—Thomas  
B. Inness.

By Mr. West, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas B. Inness for a charter for constructing a canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Massachusetts,  
fisheries of.

By Mr. Butler, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the message from His Excellency the Governor pertaining to the subject, Resolutions relating to the fisheries of Massachusetts.

On motion of Mr. Butler, Senate Rule No. 24 was suspended, and the resolutions were forthwith considered and adopted, as follows : —

*Resolved*, That the Senate and House of Representatives of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled, respectfully call the attention of the Congress of the United States to the fact that the menhaden, mackerel and other fisheries along the sea coast and shore of Massachusetts are of great importance and value to her people, that the Commonwealth has made large expenditures for the protection and preservation thereof, and that any interference with the rights of the people of Massachusetts therein, as now established by the Supreme Court of the United States, would be of great damage and injury to them ; and therefore they respectfully memorialize Congress to refrain from abrogating or interfering with the interests in and control over said fisheries, now held and exercised by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and especially to refrain from enacting such legislation as is embodied in bill number five thousand and thirty, now pending in the House of Representatives of the United States.

*Resolved*, That the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts be authorized and requested to appoint two or more suitable persons who shall appear before the committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries of the House of Representatives of the United States at the hearing upon said bill, to state the position of Massachusetts upon the subject, and to oppose said bill as being injurious to her interests and to the welfare of her people ; and further

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to each of the Senators and Representatives of Massachu-

setts in Congress, and that they are hereby requested to protect by all proper means the rights and interests of Massachusetts in the premises.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Butler.

### *Election of a Councillor.*

At half past two o'clock P.M., pursuant to assignment, the Senate proceeded to the election of a Councillor to fill the vacancy existing in the Sixth Councillor District by reason of the death of Charles F. Loring.

Mr. Ray offered the following order:—

*Ordered*, That a committee of three be appointed to collect, sort and count the votes for a Councillor in the Sixth Councillor District.

The order was adopted and Messrs. Ray, Merritt and Nichols were appointed said committee. And the votes having been collected, sorted and counted, Mr. Ray, from the committee, reported as follows:—

Whole number of votes cast, . . . . .	33
Necessary for a choice, . . . . .	17
William B. de Las Casas of Malden had . . . . .	2
Frank W. Howe of Lowell had . . . . .	10
Alonzo H. Evans of Everett had . . . . .	21

And Mr. Evans was declared elected on the part of the Senate. Notice thereof was sent to the House.

### *Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred:—

By Mr. Champlin, a petition of William E. Ford and others that the Odd Fellows' Home of Massachusetts may be exempt from taxation; Odd Fellows' Home of Massachusetts.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Taxation.

By Mr. Eaton, a petition of the water commissioners of the town of Holbrook, in behalf of said town, for authority to make an additional water loan; Holbrook, town of,—water bonds.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Park Street  
Church Congre-  
gational  
Society.

By Mr. Butler, a petition of William E. Murdock and others, a committee of the Park Street Church Congregational Society in Boston, for authority to extinguish all rights in or to tombs under its church edifice ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

### *Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

Boston, city of,  
— blasting of  
rocks.

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule). That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending chapter 201 of the Acts of the year 1868, relating to the blasting of rocks in the city of Boston, so as to provide that said city may by ordinance designate some officer or person in the employ of said city to issue licenses for blasting rocks or other substances within three hundred feet of a public place or highway on such terms and conditions as said city may by ordinance prescribe, and so as to provide a penalty by a fine against any person who shall violate the terms of the act or any conditions or terms contained in any license which may be issued under the provisions of said act.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, —

Superior courts.

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule). That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing section 11 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, relating to Superior Courts.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Trusts.

A Bill giving probate courts concurrent jurisdiction with the Supreme Judicial Court in equity in relation to trusts, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

### Bills

Railroad passes  
to members of  
General Court.

Concerning the issue of railroad passes and the compensation of members of the Legislature (on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the subject, and on two orders) ; and



Providing for a fifth assistant clerk of the Superior Court, civil sessions, for the county of Suffolk (on an order); and

Fifth assistant clerk of Superior Court for Suffolk County, salary of.

James Burke.

A Resolve in favor of James Burke;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

A Bill placing the waters of Squam Pond in the city of Gloucester under the control of the United States Fish Commission (on the message from His Excellency the Governor relating to the subject), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Gloucester, city of, — control of Squam Pond.

### Reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Howland Holmes and others for legislation to prevent dogs from going at large unless securely muzzled;

Dogs.

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw:

On the petition of George J. Moulton that the Senators of Massachusetts in Congress be instructed to vote for the passage of a resolution asking an investigation of the expenses attending the business of money lending; and

Money lending.

On the petition of Cyrus A. Stone and others that Congress be petitioned to adopt an amendment to the Constitution of the United States so as to require that a declaration of war must be ratified by the people, as well as by a vote of Congress;

Constitutional amendment, — declarations of war.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The Senate Resolutions relating to the adoption of national legislation providing for the use of improved car couplers and brakes, and the greater safety of passengers, came up, adopted, in concurrence, amended by the House by striking out the words "of the joint committee on Railroads of the present General Court two members on the part of the Senate and three members on the part of the House be instructed," and inserting in place thereof the words "a joint special committee of the present General Court, to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and three members on the part of the House be appointed."

Car couplings.

On motion of Mr. Raymond, Senate Rule No. 34 was

suspended and the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendment was forthwith considered. The Senate concurred in the adoption of the amendment, and Messrs. Raymond and Kimball were appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. Bliss of Boston, Lakin of Westfield and Mellen of Worcester, were joined on the part of the House.

### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Chelsea, city of,  
— ward lines.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Chelsea for such legislation as will enable said city to revise its ward lines and increase the number of its wards ;

Woburn, city  
of, — superin-  
tendent of  
school  
buildings.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Woburn for an amendment of the charter of said city so as to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of public buildings ; and

Woburn, city  
of, — public  
cemeteries.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Woburn for an amendment of the law relating to public cemeteries in Woburn in respect to the duties of the commissioners, and so as to extend the powers of the city treasurer in respect to said cemeteries, and to make him liable upon his bond for his acts in respect to the same ;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each case, to the committee on Cities.

Falmouth, town  
of, — wild  
fowl.

A petition of J. H. Jones and others in aid of the petition of Jonathan H. Jones and others for the better protection of wild fowl in Falmouth ;

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Cornelius J.  
Robbins.

A petition of Charles E. Harris that Cornelius J. Robbins may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Sweating-sys-  
tem, — labels  
for garments.

A petition of G. E. Miller and others for legislation requiring a yellow label on garments manufactured under the sweating-system, bearing the statement that they were made in a tenement-house ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Public Health.

A petition of Fred S. Carr and others for incorporation as the People's Street Railway Company, for the purpose of building and maintaining a street railway from the terminus of the Haverhill and Groveland Street Railway in West Newbury to the terminus of the Newburyport and Amesbury Street Railway in Newburyport ;

People's Street  
Railway Com-  
pany.

Under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Chelsea in aid of the petition of the mayor of the city of Malden that municipal bonds may be exempt from taxation ;

Municipal  
bonds, exemp-  
tion of, from  
taxation.

To the committee on Taxation.

*Placed on File.*

A petition of members of the Massachusetts Agricultural College Alumni Club in aid of the order relative to continuing the annual appropriation of \$10,000 to the Massachusetts Agricultural College, as provided by chapter 12 of the Resolves of the year 1889, was placed on file.

Massachusetts  
Agricultural  
College.

*House Orders.*

The following House order was considered :—

*Ordered,* That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions consider the expediency of so amending the law that when a vacancy occurs in the board of county commissioners, by reason of death or disability, the remaining members of the board of county commissioners shall have the power to elect a person to fill the vacancy until the next regular election.

County com-  
missioners,—  
vacancies.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, the order was amended by striking out the words "special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions," and inserting in place thereof the words "committee on the Judiciary." The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The following House order was considered :—

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the granting of licenses to minors to sell goods, wares, or merchan-

Minors,  
licenses to.

dise, as provided in section 2 of chapter 68 of the Public Statutes, so that boards of aldermen and selectmen shall have power to make regulations relating thereto without any authorization of the city council or town being required.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, the order was amended by striking out the words "committee on Cities," and inserting in place thereof the words "joint committee on the Judiciary." The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Boston, city of,  
— construction  
of buildings.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the construction of buildings in the city of Boston, or adopting the recommendations of the commission appointed under an order of the city council of said city, approved by the mayor Jan. 8, 1890, or by adopting such other amendments as said committee may deem proper.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Intoxicating  
liquors, trans-  
portation of, by  
common  
carriers.

The Senate Bill to further regulate the transportation of intoxicating liquors by common carriers and others, was considered.

On the pending point of order the President ruled as follows : —

The Senator from Suffolk, Mr. Coveney, raises the point of order that the bill is beyond the scope of the petitions upon which it is based. The petitioners ask for the enactment of a law placing further restrictions upon the transportation and delivery of intoxicating liquor in towns and cities which have not voted to grant liquor licenses of the first five classes and further say "we make this petition because we find that common carriers and pretended common carriers nullify the 'no license' votes in our municipalities by supplying intoxicating liquor to almost everyone who wishes to purchase." The contemplated legislation is evidently intended to protect cities and towns which have not voted to grant licenses of the classes named and its application to such towns and cities is specifically requested.

The bill reported by the committee is not so limited in its application. It is designed to regulate the transportation of intoxicating liquors "for delivery in any place where the seller is not authorized by law to make sale of the same," thus clearly extending the operation of the bill to all cities and towns, irrespective of their vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses, in which the person who sold the liquor did not have authority by law to make sale of such liquor. A committee can report only upon such matters as have been referred to it. In the opinion of the chair the bill reported contains provisions substantially different from those prayed for, and the chair therefore rules that the point of order raised by the Senator from Suffolk is well taken.

On motion of Mr. Champlin, the bill was then recommended to the committee on the Liquor Law.

#### The bills

To authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness Bills. beyond the limit fixed by law for the completion of a new city hall building ;

Making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various commissions of the Commonwealth ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls ;

To authorize the East Side Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company ; and

To authorize the Whitman Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

#### The Senate bills

To authorize the city of Woburn to raise money for the Senate bills. celebration of the 250th anniversary of its incorporation as a town ; and

To further extend the time of exemption of the city of Brockton from the operation of an act relative to the limit of the municipal debt and the rate of taxation in cities ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**House report.**

The House Report of the committee on Federal Relations, no legislation necessary, on the order relative to requesting the Senators and Representatives of this Commonwealth in Congress to use their efforts to secure the enactment of such laws as will prevent the use of the mails by the Louisiana Lottery Company and other lottery companies, was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, at twelve minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, February 17, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Thayer, from the joint committee on the Truants.  
Judiciary, on the petition of Francis A. Harrington, a  
Bill relative to the removal of truants to county or union  
truant schools; and

By Mr. Baker, from the committee on Manufactures, Gas, standard  
of illuminating  
power of.  
on the report of the Inspector of Gas and Gas Meters, a  
Bill to raise the standard of the illuminating power of gas;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for  
to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on the Treasury, Superior and  
Supreme  
Judicial Courts  
for Middlesex  
County, officers  
in attendance  
upon.  
that the Senate Bill to establish the number of officers in  
attendance upon, the Superior and Supreme Judicial  
Courts for the county of Middlesex, to define their duties  
and to establish their salaries, ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a  
second reading.

By Mr. McEttrick, from the joint special committee on Police system  
for Common-  
wealth.  
Administrative Boards and Commissions, that the Bill to  
establish a system of police for the Commonwealth (intro-  
duced on leave in the House), ought NOT to pass;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-mor-  
row, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on Expenditures, Treasurer and  
Receiver-  
General,  
securities in  
hands of.  
on the order relative to the subject, that they had exam-  
ined all the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and  
Receiver-General, and found the same to correspond  
strictly with the schedule thereof, and that they had also  
examined the cash on hand in the office of the Treasurer

and certified by cashiers of the several banks of deposit, and had found the same to be correct; and

Boston, Cape  
Cod and New  
York Canal  
Company,—  
Alfred D. Fox.

By Mr. West, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Alfred D. Fox for the revival and extension of the charter of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Committee Discharged.*

Public Records  
of Parishes,  
Towns and  
Counties,  
Commissioner  
of.

Mr. McDonald, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records (introduced on leave in the House) and sundry petitions in aid thereof, and the fourth report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties,—and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions;

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Introduced on Leave.*

Widow of the  
late Hamilton  
B. Staples.

Mr. Thayer (on leave, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), introduced a Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Hamilton B. Staples, which was read and referred to the committee on Expenditures.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bankrupt and  
insolvent  
debtors.

A Bill relating to special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

*House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence:—

Norfolk  
County,—new  
judicial district.

A petition of Charles C. Loring and others in aid of the petition of John R. Bullard and others for the establishment of a new judicial district in Norfolk County, embracing the towns of Dedham and Norwood;

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.



A petition of L. M. Brock and others for the incorporation of the West Lynn Trust Company ; West Lynn Trust Company.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Banks and Banking.

A petition of James Charnock and others in aid of the petition of E. G. Pond and others for an amendment of chapter 276 of the Acts of 1886, so as to permit the shooting of wild fowl from a sail boat ; Wild fowl.

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition of the Holyoke Board of Trade in aid of the order relative to the repeal of the act limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of liquor ; Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses.

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

A petition of Henry W. Dudley and others for the incorporation of the Corporate Building Association ; Corporate Building Association.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

### *House Orders.*

The following House order was considered : —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing a form of charter for large towns which shall embody more of the features of town government than the present form of city charter. Town charters.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the order was amended by striking out the word "Cities," and inserting in place thereof the word "Towns;" and by striking out all after the word "shall," and inserting in place thereof the following: "require delegates to be elected in the same manner that town officers are now chosen, whose duty it shall be to meet in convention and act upon all matters of business which can lawfully come before and be acted upon in town meetings, in the same manner and with the same effect that such business is now transacted by towns." The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

The following House order was considered : —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of requiring a two-thirds vote in making town Town appropriations.

appropriations or grants, between the time of the assessment of taxes and the next annual town meeting.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the order was amended by striking out the word "Taxation," and inserting in place thereof the word "Towns." The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Births,  
baptisms,  
deaths and  
marriages,  
registration of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of securing the better registration of births, baptisms, deaths and marriages.

Drainage, com-  
mittee on.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Drainage be authorized to travel within the limits of the State in the performance of their duties.

Wild fowl.

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending section 6 of chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, as amended by chapter 254 of the Acts of the year 1891, by inserting after the words "steam launch," in the tenth line thereof the words "steam yacht or other boat or vessel propelled by steam," so that said section as amended shall read as follows : —

" *Sect. 6.* Whoever takes or kills a game bird or water fowl, hare or rabbit by means of a trap, net or snare, or by the use of a ferret; and whoever, for the purpose of taking or killing a game bird, water fowl, hare or rabbit, constructs or sets any trap, snare or net, or uses a ferret; and whoever shoots at or kills any wild fowl or any of the so-called shore, marsh or beach birds with or by the use of a swivel or pivot gun, or by the use of a torch, jack or artificial light, or pursues any wild fowl with or by aid of a sail boat or steam launch, steam yacht or other boat or vessel propelled by steam, shall be punished by a fine of twenty dollars; and the constructing or setting of any trap, snare or net adapted for the taking or killing of a game bird, water fowl, hare or rabbit, upon premises frequented by such game bird, water fowl, hare or rabbit, shall be presumptive evidence of such constructing and setting with intent to take and kill contrary to law."

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill to establish the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth, was read a second time and amended, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury, by striking out, in section 3, line 2, the word "present," and inserting, in place thereof, the word "next."

Mr. Merritt moved that the bill be amended in section 1, line 2, by striking out the word "ten," and inserting, in place thereof, the word "eight." The question being put on allowing the word "ten," to stand, the same was carried in the affirmative.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The bills

To change the name of the Old Men's Home in the city of Worcester; Bills.

To amend the charter of the city of Brockton relating to assistant assessors;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson; and

Placing the waters of Squam Pond in the city of Gloucester under the control of the United States Fish Commission;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the completion of a new city hall building, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various commissions of the Commonwealth; House bills.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls;

To authorize the East Side Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company; and

**House bill.**

To authorize the Whitman Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**The Senate reports****Senate reports.**

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edwin M. Chamberlin that all legislative acts, orders and resolves passed by the General Court be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection, and for similar submission to the popular vote, of any proposed law, for the enactment of which five thousand citizens unite in petitioning ; and

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas B. Inness for a charter for constructing a canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**The House reports****House reports.**

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Howland Holmes and others for legislation to prevent dogs from going at large unless securely muzzled ;

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Cyrus A. Stone and others that Congress be petitioned to adopt an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, so as to require that a declaration of war must be ratified by the people, as well as by a vote of Congress ; and

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George J. Moulton that the Senators of Massachusetts in Congress be instructed to vote for the passage of a resolution asking an investigation of the expenses attending the business of money lending ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, at twenty-four minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, February 18, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Stevens, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill concerning the issue of railroad passes and the compensation of members of the Legislature, ought to pass ;

Railroad passes  
and compen-  
sation of  
members of  
General Court.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Stevens, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Resolve in favor of James Burke, ought to pass, with an amendment adding at the end thereof the following words :— “ *Provided*, that in the event of the decease of said Burke within said term of five years, this annuity shall cease ;”

James Burke.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

By Mr. West, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lucien B. Stone for a charter for constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay ; and

Ship canal from  
Buzzard's Bay  
to Barnstable  
Bay.— Lucien  
B. Stone.

By Mr. Meade, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of the trustees of the Massachusetts General Hospital for an appropriation from the State treasury ;

Massachusetts  
General  
Hospital.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Petition.*

Mr. Thayer presented a petition of The Samuel Winslow Skate Manufacturing Company and others for legislation requiring engineers of steam-boats and stationary engines to be licensed, which was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Engineers,  
licenses for.

Sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Wills, revocation of.

A Bill relative to the revocation of a will on the marriage of the testator, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

## Bills

Millis Savings Bank.

To incorporate the Millis Savings Bank (on the petition of Henry L. Millis and others);

Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

In relation to the admission of fraternal beneficiary organizations of other states (on an order); and

Provincetown, town of, — watering streets.

To authorize the town of Provincetown to expend money to water its streets (on the petition of J. Ames Gifford and others); and

## Resolves

Oxford, town of.

In favor of the town of Oxford (on the petition of the overseers of the poor of said town); and

Joanna L. Cox.

In favor of Joanna L. Cox (on the petition of the same);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Revenue marine, transfer of, from treasury department to navy department.

Resolutions relative to the transfer of the revenue marine from the jurisdiction of the treasury department to the jurisdiction of the navy department (introduced on leave in the House), were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Buzzard's Bay, — fisheries.

A Bill to repeal chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1886, entitled: "An Act for the protection of the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay," and to authorize certain persons to take mackerel and menhaden with nets and seines (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

*Report.*

State Board of Agriculture, — Massachusetts Agricultural College.

A report of the State Board of Agriculture, acting as overseers of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Agriculture.

County commissioners, vacancies in boards of.

The House order, — That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions consider the expediency of so amending the law that when a vacancy

occurs in the board of county commissioners, by reason of death or disability, the remaining members of the board of county commissioners shall have the power to elect a person to fill the vacancy until the next regular election,—came up, the House having non-concurred in the adoption of the Senate amendment striking out the words “special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions,” and inserting in place thereof the words “committee on the Judiciary.”

On motion of Mr. Butler, the Senate insisted on its amendment, and the order was returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence:—

A petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for authority to take a part of the old cemetery on Walter Street near Weld Street in the West Roxbury district, for street purposes; Boston, city of,  
— cemetery on  
Walter Street.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.

A petition of James Mudge for an amendment of the charter of the Worcester District Methodist Episcopal Church Camp-Meeting Association, so that the maximum number of trustees shall be eleven, one of whom shall be the presiding elder of the district; Worcester Dis-  
trict Methodist  
Episcopal  
Church Camp-  
meeting Asso-  
ciation.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Petitions of Charles N. Hoyt and others; H. A. Chase and others; Calvin H. Weeks, H. P. Snay and others; Moses How, C. E. Sturgis and others; George E. Tozier and others; William H. Hurd and others; John B. Wright and others; and William E. Carey and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Charles W. Morse and others for incorporation as the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company; and Lowell, Law-  
rence and  
Haverhill Street  
Railway Com-  
pany.

A petition of Richard F. Briggs and other citizens of Amesbury in aid of the petition of Charles Goss and others for incorporation as the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company; Haverhill and  
Amesbury  
Street Railway  
Company.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Woman  
suffrage.

A petition of Mary M. Richardson and others that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections ; and

Id.

A petition of S. B. Richardson and others that women may be enabled to vote for presidential electors and other officers ;

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

Bills.

To establish the number of officers in attendance upon the Superior and Supreme Judicial Courts for the county of Middlesex, to define their duties and to establish their salaries ;

To raise the standard of the illuminating power of gas ; and

Relative to the removal of truants to county or union truant schools ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Police system  
for Common-  
wealth.

The Senate Bill to establish a system of police for the Commonwealth, was rejected, as recommended by the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

The Senate bills

Senate bills.

To establish the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth (as previously amended by the Senate) ; and

Relating to assistant assessors in the city of Brockton (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Old Men's  
Home in the  
city of  
Worcester.

The Senate Bill to change the name of the Old Men's Home in the city of Worcester, was read a third time and considered. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out in section 1, lines 2, 3, 4 and 5, the words "a corporation established by chapter 120 of the Acts of the year 1874 ;" also by striking out sections 2 and 3. The amendments were severally adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.



## The House bills

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ; and House bills.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill placing the waters of Squam Pond in the city of Gloucester under the control of the United States Fish Commission, was read a third time and considered. Gloucester, city of, — control of Squam Pond.

Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out all after the word " pond," in section 1, line 9 ; and also by inserting a new section as follows : "*Sect. 2.* Whoever wilfully and without right defiles or pollutes the waters of said pond, or obstructs or interferes with the control or operations of said commission therein, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars." These amendments were severally adopted. On motion of Mr. Simpkins, the bill was further amended by striking out the last section (as printed), as follows : "*Sect. 2.* This act shall take effect upon its passage." The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

## The Senate reports

Of the committee on Expenditures, on the order relative to the subject, that they had examined all the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, and found the same to correspond strictly with the schedule thereof ; and that they had also examined the cash on hand in the office of the Treasurer and certified by cashiers of the several banks of deposit, and had found the same to be correct ; and Senate reports.

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Alfred D. Fox for the revival and extension of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Meade, at twenty-nine minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P.M.

FRIDAY, February 19, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

Superior Court,  
— certain de-  
cisions of judges  
not to be re-  
duced to  
writing.

Educational and  
religious asso-  
ciations,—en-  
forcement of  
regulations.  
Civil service  
rules.

Certain cor-  
porations, dis-  
solution of.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to repeal section 11 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, requiring presiding judges of the Superior Court to reduce to writing their decisions and instructions during the progress of a trial;

By the same Senator, from the same committee, on the petition of B. B. Johnson, a Bill to enable educational and religious associations to enforce their regulations;

By Mr. Butler, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend section 15 of chapter 320 of the Acts of the year 1884, relating to exemptions from the civil service rules; and

By Mr. Champlin, from the committee on Taxation, on the annual report of the Attorney-General, a Bill to dissolve certain corporations;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next for a second reading.

Appropriations.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury (submitting, in accordance with instructions, reasons for the expenditures in excess of the appropriations for last year), that the House Bill making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1891, ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next for a second reading.

Health college.

By Mr. Nutter, from the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others that a health college may be chartered and endowed by the State;

By Mr. West, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles H. Porter for a charter for constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay ; and

Ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay, — Charles H. Porter.

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of H. L. Grout and others for legislation providing a penalty for the false or fraudulent issuing of marriage certificates ;

Marriage certificates, fraudulent issue of.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next.

### *Reconsideration.*

On motion of Mr. Simpkins, the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Fisheries and Game, the Bill to repeal chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1886, entitled : " An Act for the protection of the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay," and to authorize certain persons to take mackerel and menhaden with nets and seines (introduced on leave in the House), was reconsidered. On further motion of the same Senator, the vote by which the Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule, was also reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on concurring in the suspension of the rule, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Dame, postponed until Thursday, February 25.

Buzzard's Bay, — fisheries.

### *Taken from the Files of Last Year.*

On motion of Mr. Shaw, the clerk was directed to take from the files of last year, a Resolve granting an allowance to the Thirty-fifth Massachusetts Regiment Association ; and the same was, under the rule, submitted to the committee on Rules, for inspection.

Thirty-fifth Massachusetts Regiment Association.

### *Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Arnold, a petition of Lydia H. Olmsted and others that cities and towns voting not to license the sale of intoxicating liquor, may be empowered to provide through their own agents for the sale of liquor for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes, and that in such cases no licenses of the sixth class or other license shall be granted ;

Intoxicating liquors, — agents.

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Woman  
suffrage.

By the same Senator, a petition of Lydia H. Olmsted and others for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers ;

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

Adjournment  
until Tuesday.

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns to-day, it adjourn to meet on Tuesday next at two o'clock P.M.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Marblehead,  
town of, —  
water loan.

A Bill to authorize the town of Marblehead to make an additional water loan (on the petition of the selectmen of said town), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next for a second reading.

*Reports*

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate :

Intoxicating  
liquors, — vote  
on licenses.

On the order relative to changing the local option law so that the period of time during which a no-license vote shall hold may be during three years, and the territory voting simultaneously shall be by counties instead of by municipalities ; and

Intoxicating  
liquors, — sales  
in Boston on  
election days.

On the order relative to permitting the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston after the hour of six o'clock in the afternoon on all election days ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next.

*Report.*

Tuberculosis.

A report of the State Board of Agriculture, on the best methods to be adopted in order to protect the citizens of this Commonwealth against the dangers to human life and health which may arise from the presence of tuberculosis in the food products of cattle, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

*Election of a Councillor.*

Notice was received from the House that Alonzo H. Evans of Everett, had been elected by the House, in concurrence with the Senate, Councillor in the Sixth Councillor District, to fill the vacancy existing by reason of the death of Charles F. Loring.

Sixth Councillor District, —  
Alonzo H. Evans.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Fernald, —

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to Alonzo H. Evans that he has been elected Councillor for the Sixth Councillor District to advise the Governor in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

Sent down for concurrence.

*House Orders.*

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the following House order, which was returned to the House for its action, to wit: —

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 2 of chapter 313 of the Acts of the year 1884, as to provide that in conditional sales of furniture and other household effects, whether such sales be made in the form of a lease or otherwise, in all cases where fifty per cent. or more than fifty per cent. of the contract price has been paid by the vendee, upon default in the conditions of the lease by the vendee, after the expiration of the fifteen days now provided by said act for the vendee's equity of redemption, the goods so forfeited shall be sold by the vendor at public auction, and the balance of the price of said sale after deducting the balance due the vendor on the contract price and the actual expenses of the auction sale shall be paid to the vendee or his legal representatives.

Furniture, conditional sales of.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence: —

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of compelling every railroad corporation within this Commonwealth to carry all passengers at a rate of fare not exceeding two cents per mile.

Railroads, — rates of fare.

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*Resolve Passed.*

Resolve passed  
and laid before  
the Governor.

An engrossed Resolve providing against depredations by the insect known as the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

*Discharged from the Orders.*

Railroad passes  
and compensa-  
tion of members  
of General  
Court.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, the House Bill concerning the issue of railroad passes and the compensation of members of the Legislature, was discharged from the Orders of the Day, under a suspension of Senate Rule 36, and read a second time. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

Bills.

To incorporate the Millis Savings Bank;

In relation to the admission of fraternal beneficiary organizations of other States; and

To authorize the town of Provincetown to expend money to water its streets; and

The resolves

Resolves.

In favor of the town of Oxford; and

In favor of Joanna L. Cox;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

James Burke.

The Resolve in favor of James Burke, was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury, by adding at the end thereof the words: "*Provided*, that in the event of the decease of said Burke within said term of five years, this annuity shall cease," and, as amended, ordered to a third reading.

Revenue  
marine, transfer  
of, from treas-  
ury department  
to navy de-  
partment.

The House Resolutions relative to the transfer of the revenue marine from the jurisdiction of the treasury department to the jurisdiction of the navy department, were adopted, in concurrence.

The resolutions were as follows : —

*Resolved*, That the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled, respectfully and earnestly urge upon Congress the importance and public benefit of transferring the officers, seamen and vessels of the revenue marine from the jurisdiction of the treasury department to the jurisdiction of the navy department, and request Congress to pass a bill effecting that purpose.

*Resolved*, That copies of these resolutions be sent to the presiding officers of both houses of Congress, and to the Senators and Representatives in Congress from this Commonwealth.

The Senate bills

To establish the number of officers in attendance upon the Superior and Supreme Judicial Courts for the county of Middlesex, to define their duties and to establish their salaries ; and

To raise the standard of the illuminating power of gas ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lucien B. Stone for a charter for constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay ; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of the trustees of the Massachusetts General Hospital for an appropriation from the State treasury ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Provin, at fifteen minutes before two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Tuesday next at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, February 23, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

Official stenog-  
raphers of  
Superior  
Court, payment  
of.

Taunton  
Lunatic  
Hospital, re-  
pairs and im-  
provements at.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relating to the payment of official stenographers of the Superior Court; and

By Mr. Nutter, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the trustees thereof (in part), a Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital;

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Appropriations.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women and for expenses in connection therewith, ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Worcester  
Polytechnic  
Institute.

By Mr. Gilman, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of the trustees thereof, a Bill to authorize the Worcester Polytechnic Institute to hold additional real and personal estate;

Cambridge  
Firemen's  
Relief  
Association.

By Mr. Goveney, from the same committee, on the petition of Thomas J. Casey and others, a Bill to incorporate the Cambridge Firemen's Relief Association; and

Newburyport  
Howard  
Benevolent  
Society.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, on the petition of the same, a Bill to authorize the Newburyport Howard Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Lizzie B.  
Brown.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lizzie B. Brown for



such legislation as will enable her to be appointed a justice of the peace;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for tomorrow.

The Resolve granting an allowance to the Thirty-fifth Massachusetts Regiment Association, which was, on Friday last, ordered to be taken from the files of last year, was laid before the Senate and was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Shaw.

Thirty-fifth  
Massachusetts  
Regiment  
Association.

Sent down for concurrence.

### *Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred:—

By Mr. Nutter, a petition of the Grand Division, Sons of Temperance of Massachusetts, that licenses of the sixth class may be restricted to one to a certain number of inhabitants;

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
number of  
licenses of  
sixth class.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Nichols, a petition of Division No. 19, Ancient Order of Hibernians of the town of Northbridge, for authority to hold real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding \$50,000, with the privilege of mortgaging the same;

Division 19,  
Ancient Order  
of Hibernians of  
Northbridge.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Butler, a petition of Edward N. George and others, clerks of police and district courts, that their salaries may be established at a sum equal to three-fourths of the annual salaries of the justices of said courts;

Clerks of police  
and district  
courts, salaries  
of.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Ray, a petition of the New York and New England Railroad Company for authority to issue additional bonds and to secure the same by mortgage upon its franchise and property;

New York and  
New England  
Railroad  
Company.

Under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the

parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Woman  
suffrage.

By Mr. Gilman, a petition of F. A. Chapell and others for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers ;

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

##### Bills

English blood-  
hounds.

To exempt certain English bloodhounds from the provisions of the act prohibiting the keeping of bloodhounds (on the petition of George W. Glazier and others) ; and

Fire District  
No. 1 of South  
Hadley.

To incorporate and enlarge the powers of Fire District No. 1 in the town of South Hadley (on the petition of the same) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

##### Reports

Savings banks,  
— St. Johnsbury  
and Lake  
Champlain  
Railroad.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, at its own request, on the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad that savings banks and institutions for savings may be authorized to invest in the bonds of the St. Johnsbury and Lake Champlain Railroad ; and

Silver, free  
coinage of.

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George J. Moulton that our senators and representatives in Congress be instructed to vote for the passage of a law placing silver on the same footing with gold and for the free coinage of silver ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Commission on  
Public Records  
of Parishes,  
Towns and  
Counties.

A Bill to continue the commission on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

Public troughs  
and fountains.

A Bill to amend the Public Statutes relating to public troughs and fountains (introduced on leave in the House), was referred, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Towns.

The Senate Resolutions relating to the fisheries of Massachusetts, came up, referred, by the House, to the committee on Fisheries and Game. The Senate non-concurred in the reference. Subsequently, Mr. Dame moved that the vote by which the Senate non-concurred in the reference of the resolutions, be reconsidered, and this motion was, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

A petition of Jerome Jones and others in aid of the petition of the special committee of the Boston Associated Board of Trade for such modification of the law of attachments as will more securely guard the rights of defendants ;

Attachments, —  
rights of defend-  
ants.

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

A petition of the town officers and others of Provincetown in aid of the petition of Elihu B. Hayes and others for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
division of  
towns.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

A petition of Daniel W. Deane and others of Fairhaven in aid of the petition of John J. Bryant and others for the modification of the law prohibiting seining in the waters of Buzzard's Bay ;

Buzzard's Bay,  
— fisheries.

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

A petition of Fred H. Knight and others for the enactment of such legislation as will constitute 56 hours a week's work for women and children employed in manufacturing and mercantile establishments ; and

Women and  
children, hours  
of labor of.

A petition of Daniel J. Manning and others for such legislation as will constitute eight hours a legal day's work for State, county, city or town employees ;

Hours of labor,  
— eight-hour  
law.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill concerning the issue of railroad passes and the compensation of members of the Legislature, was

Railroad passes  
and compensa-  
tion of members  
of the Legis-  
lature.

considered, the question being on ordering the same to a third reading. Mr. Merritt moved that the bill be recommended to the joint committee on the Judiciary, with instructions "to report a bill restraining railroad corporations from issuing free passes, tickets or permits for passenger transportation to others than their officers and employees."

Mr. Meade rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that the instructions were not in order because they would require the committee to report a bill broader in its scope than the recommendation contained in the Governor's address, and the legislation contemplated by the two orders, upon which the bill was based.

On the point of order the President ruled as follows :—

The bill under consideration is based upon that portion of the Governor's address which recommends legislation "to prevent railroad corporations from giving free passes to members of the Legislature, or to other officials before whom come matters in which these corporations are interested,"—and upon two orders, one relative to "amending section 1 of chapter 352 of the Acts of the year 1886, providing for the compensation of members of the legislature, so that it shall read as follows: 'Each member of the Senate and House of Representatives shall receive \$750 for the regular annual session for which he is elected, and two dollars for every mile of ordinary travelling distance from his place of abode to the place of the sitting of the General Court; and the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House shall receive double the compensation provided for members,'" and the other relative to preventing "the issue by railroad corporations of free passes to legislative, judicial, or executive officers," and its provisions are confined within the scope of this recommendation and the orders.

The motion of the Senator from Hampden, if adopted, would compel the committee to report a bill restraining railroad corporations from issuing passes, tickets or permits to classes of persons other than those referred to in said recommendation and orders.

An amendment to a bill is not in order if its provisions extend beyond the scope of the subject-matter on which the report of the committee, presenting the bill which it is sought to amend, is based. Such an amendment, extending the operation of the bill to a class of individuals not con-

templated by, or included within, the scope of the recommendation and orders upon which the committee acted, would clearly be within the prohibition of Senate Rule No. 48, which provides that "no motion or proposition of a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under the color of an amendment," and surely a legislative assembly cannot, under the form of committing a bill with instructions, require a committee to do that which it is itself unable to do. Certain recommendations and orders were referred to the committee. It can report such legislation based thereon as to it seems proper so long as it confines its report to the subject-matter of the reference. It cannot report a bill containing provisions substantially different from those prayed for, or include within the operation thereof a class of persons not included in the terms of the recommendation or orders referred to it; nor, after a bill, confined, in its terms, to the scope of the subject-matter referred, is reported, can the Senate itself so amend it as to introduce therein substantially new provisions. To hold otherwise would be to rule that, after a committee has heard and reported upon a subject referred to it, the Legislature could, by the adoption of a motion to recommit with instructions, introduce thereby into the General Court matters of new legislation, not included within the terms of the original reference.

The chair therefore rules that the point of order is well taken and that the instructions are not in order and cannot be entertained.

The motion to recommit was then negatived.

Mr. Coveney moved that the bill be amended in section 5, lines 1 and 2, by striking out the words "upon its passage," and inserting, in place thereof, the words "from the beginning of the next political year;" and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.

Messrs. Howard, Robert  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Raymond, Francis H. — 9.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
 Clark, Wilder P.  
 Dame, Luther  
 Eaton, William N.  
 Fernald, B. Marvin  
 Gilman, Gorham D.  
 Hickox, Stephen A.  
 Kennedy, Patrick J.  
 Kimball, Henry A.  
 McDonald, James W.  
 McEtrick, Michael J.  
 McNary, William S.  
 Meade, William E.  
 Nichols, George K.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
 Parkman, Henry  
 Provin, William  
 Ray, William F.  
 Read, John (Middlesex)  
 Reade, John (Suffolk)  
 Shaw, Edward P.  
 Simpkins, John  
 Smith, Sidney P.  
 Southwick, B. Frank  
 Stevens, Eben S.  
 Thayer, John R.  
 West, William H.  
 Wyer, Edwin F. — 28.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Charles H. Baker,

Mr. Richard A. Carter. — 2.

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Merritt moved that the bill be amended in section 1, line 5, by inserting, after the words "commissioners or," the words "any mayor, alderman, selectman or;" and this amendment was rejected.

Mr. Butler moved that the bill be amended by striking out section 4; and this amendment was rejected.

The question on ordering the bill to a third reading was then determined as follows, to wit: —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
 Carberry, William H.  
 Champlin, Arthur B.  
 Clark, Wilder P.  
 Coveney, John W.  
 Dame, Luther  
 Drury, John E.  
 Eaton, William N.  
 Fernald, B. Marvin  
 Gilman, Gorham D.  
 Hickox, Stephen A.  
 Howard, Robert  
 Kennedy, Patrick J.  
 Kimball, Henry A.  
 McDonald, James W.  
 McEtrick, Michael J.  
 McNary, William S.

Messrs. Meade, William E.  
 Nichols, George K.  
 Nutter, Isaac N.  
 Parkman, Henry  
 Provin, William  
 Ray, William F.  
 Raymond, Francis H.  
 Read, John (Middlesex)  
 Reade, John (Suffolk)  
 Shaw, Edward P.  
 Simpkins, John  
 Smith, Sidney P.  
 Southwick, B. Frank  
 Stevens, Eben S.  
 Thayer, John R.  
 West, William H.  
 Wyer, Edwin F. — 34.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
 Merritt, Christopher C.

Mr. Edward Mott. — 3.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Charles H. Baker,

Mr. Richard A. Carter. — 2.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

## The bills

To enable educational and religious associations to Bills.  
enforce their regulations ;

To amend section 15 of chapter 320 of the Acts of the  
year 1884, relating to exemptions from the civil service  
rules ;

To repeal section 11 of chapter 152 of the Public Stat-  
utes, requiring presiding judges of the Superior Court to  
reduce to writing their decisions and instructions during  
the progress of a trial ;

To dissolve certain corporations ;

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations  
for certain expenses authorized in the year 1891 ; and

To authorize the town of Marblehead to make an  
additional water loan ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a  
third reading.

## The House bills

To incorporate the Millis Savings Bank ;

House bills.

In relation to the admission of fraternal beneficiary  
organizations of other states ; and

To authorize the town of Provincetown to appropriate  
money to water its streets (its title having been changed  
by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

## The House resolves

In favor of the town of Oxford ; and

House resolves.

In favor of Joanna L. Cox ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be  
engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Resolve in favor of James Burke, was read James Burke.  
a third time, as previously amended by the Senate, and  
passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amend-  
ment, which was sent down for concurrence.

## The Senate reports

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on Senate report.  
the petition of George Dutton and others that a health  
college may be chartered and endowed by the State ; and

## Senate report.

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles H. Porter for a charter for constructing a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

## Id.

The Senate Report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of H. L. Grout and others for legislation providing a penalty for the false or fraudulent issuing of marriage certificates, was accepted.

## The House reports

## House reports.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to changing the local option law so that the period of time during which a no-license vote shall hold, may be during three years, and the territory voting simultaneously shall be by counties instead of by municipalities ; and

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to permitting the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston after the hour of six o'clock in the afternoon on all election days ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Wyer, at eight minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.



WEDNESDAY, February 24, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Gilman, from the committee on Federal Relations, on an order, Resolutions relative to the manufacture of clothing in unhealthy places and the transportation or sale of clothing so manufactured ; and

Clothing made in unhealthy places.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Fall River for an amendment to the charter of said city so as to allow the payment of salaries to members of the common council ;

Fall River, city of, — salary of common councilmen.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. Southwick, the annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, was taken from the table and referred, in concurrence, as follows :

Treasurer and Receiver-General, report of.

So much thereof as relates to the exemption of State and municipal securities from taxation, to the committee on Taxation.

Exemption from taxation of State and municipal securities.

So much thereof as relates to the collateral legacy and succession tax, to the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Taxation of legacies and successions.

So much thereof as relates to weights and measures, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Weights and measures.

The residue of the report, to the committee on Expenditures.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Kimball, a petition of H. S. Sheldon and others for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of the inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

John M.  
Goodhue.

By Mr. Thayer, a petition of John M. Goodhue that Congress be memorialized and requested that he be restored to the army and placed on the retired list ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Federal Relations.

Woman  
suffrage.

By Mr. McEttrick, a petition of Henry B. Blackwell and others that women may be enabled to vote for Presidential electors ;

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

### *Qualification of a Councillor.*

Alonzo H.  
Evans, Coun-  
cillor-elect for  
the Sixth Coun-  
cillor district.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, announcing that Alonzo H. Evans had been notified of his election as Executive Councillor for the Sixth Councillor District, vice Charles F. Loring, deceased, to advise His Excellency the Governor during the remainder of the current political year, and that Mr. Evans had signified his acceptance of the trust and was now ready for qualification according to the Constitution and laws, before a convention of the two branches ; and the same was read and sent down to the House.

Convention of  
the two  
branches.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Smith, —

*Ordered*, That a convention of the two Houses be held forthwith for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to Alonzo H. Evans, Councillor-elect for the Sixth Councillor district.

Sent down for concurrence, and subsequently returned by the House adopted, in concurrence.

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And, pursuant to assignment, for the purpose above specified, the two branches met in

### CONVENTION.

Id.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, —

*Ordered*, That a committee be appointed, to consist of two members of the Senate and five members of the House, to wait upon Alonzo H. Evans, Councillor-elect, and inform him that the two branches are now in convention for the purpose of administering to him the oaths of office.

Messrs. Nichols, and Read of Middlesex, of the Senate, and Messrs. Bennett of Everett, Brigham of Hudson, Parker of Methuen, Soule of Middleborough and Gilbride of Boston, of the House, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Alonzo H. Evans then came in, and, in the presence of the two Houses, and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the required oaths of office.

Mr. Evans then withdrew ; and

The convention was dissolved and the Senate re-assembled in the Senate chamber.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Soldiers' Home, extermination of the gypsy moth and certain other expenses authorized the present year, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury. Appropriations.

A Bill relating to the use of check-lists in town meetings (being a new draft of the bill introduced on leave in the House), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading. Town meetings, use of check-lists in.

#### Reports

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to making the State Constitution a required study in the higher grades of the grammar schools and the high schools of the Commonwealth ; and State Constitution, study of, in schools.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to further regulating the uniform of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia by prescribing the style of overcoat to be worn by general field and staff officers ; Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, uniform of.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The House order, — “ That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions consider the expediency of so amending the law that when a vacancy occurs in the board of county commissioners, by reason of death or disability, the remaining members of the board of county commissioners shall have the power to elect a person to fill the vacancy until the next regular election,” — which was adopted, in concurrence, by the Senate, with an amendment, striking out the words “ special com- County commissioners, — vacancies.

mittee on Administrative Boards and Commissions," and inserting in place thereof the words "committee on the Judiciary," in which amendment the House non-concurred, and on which the Senate insisted, came up, the House having receded from its non-concurrence and having concurred with the Senate.

### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence: —

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
division of  
towns.

A petition of the selectmen and others of Sandwich for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns;

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

World's Fair.

A petition of Henry T. Cheever and others that the State appropriation to the World's Fair at Chicago be made to include the legislative request that the exhibition be not kept open on Sunday;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Federal Relations.

Laborers,  
condition of.

A petition of the First Nationalist Club of Boston in aid of the petition of the Wendell Phillips Woman's Club for an investigation into the condition of laborers;

To the committee on Labor.

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
agents.

A petition of the Natick Woman Suffrage League and the Natick Woman's Christian Temperance Union that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor;

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Haverhill and  
Amesbury  
Street Railway  
Company.

Petitions of D. M. Nolan and others; Thomas Lahey and others; J. H. Sayward and others; and George Adams and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Charles Goss and others for incorporation as the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company; and

Lowell, Law-  
rence and  
Haverhill Street  
Railway Com-  
pany.

Petitions of John Taylor and others; J. F. Emerson and others; J. S. Howe and others; Lewis E. Barnes and others; Benjamin Wagg and others; John H. George and others; and Charles W. Mann and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of C. W. Morse and others for incorporation as the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company;

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

A petition of the First Nationalist Club of Boston in aid of the petition of T. C. Brophy for a law granting the free use of halls, owned by towns and cities, for meetings of citizens ;

Free use of halls  
in cities and  
towns.

To the committee on Towns.

A petition of Matilda Tibbetts and others that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections ; and

Woman  
suffrage.

Petitions of the Natick Woman's Suffrage League and the Natick Woman's Christian Temperance Union for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers ;

Id.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate non-concurred with the House in the reference to the committee on Fisheries and Game, of the Resolutions relating to the fisheries of Massachusetts, prevailed. The recurring question on concurring in the reference of the Resolutions to the committee on Fisheries and Game, was then determined as follows, to wit : —

Massachusetts,  
fisheries of.

#### YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Drury, John E.

Messrs. Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Meade, William E.  
Ray, William F.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H. — 16.

#### NAYS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Coveney, John W.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
McDonald, James W.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.

Messrs. Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Thayer, John R.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 18.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Provin, William

Messrs. Shaw, Edward P.  
Stevens, Eben S. — 5.

So the Senate non-concurred in the reference, and the resolutions were returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

## The bills

Bills.

To incorporate the Cambridge Firemen's Relief Association ;

To authorize the Worcester Polytechnic Institute to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To authorize the Newburyport Howard Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith ;

To exempt certain English bloodhounds from the provisions of the act prohibiting the keeping of bloodhounds ; and

To incorporate and enlarge the powers of Fire District, No. 1, in the town of South Hadley ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

## The Senate bills

Senate bills.

To authorize educational and religious associations to define grounds and ways under their control and to enforce regulations concerning the same (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

To repeal section 11 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, requiring presiding judges of the Superior Court to reduce to writing their decisions and instructions during the progress of a trial ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

County or  
union truant  
schools.

The Senate Bill relative to the removal of truants to union or county truant schools (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading),

was read a third time and amended, on motion of Mr. Thayer, in section 1, by inserting, in line 4, after the word "amended," the words "by inserting in the fourth line thereof, after the word 'commitment,' the words 'with the consent of the county commissioners of the county in which such truant school is established;'" and by inserting, in line 11, after the word "commitment," the words "with the consent of the county commissioners of the county in which such truant school is established." The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to dissolve certain corporations, <sup>Corporations, dissolution of.</sup> was read a third time and amended, on motion of Mr. Carberry, by striking out, in section 1, (page 17) the words "Phœnix Brewing Company, The." The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### The House bills

Relating to the issuing of railroad passes and the compensation of members of the Legislature (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and <sup>House bills.</sup>

To authorize the town of Marblehead to make an additional water loan;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill making appropriations for deficiencies <sup>Appropriations.</sup> in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1891, was read a third time and considered; and, pending the question on passing the same to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Gilman, postponed until to-morrow.

The Senate Report of the committee on the Judiciary, <sup>Senate report.</sup> leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lizzie B. Brown for such legislation as will enable her to be appointed a justice of the peace, was accepted.

#### The House reports

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to <sup>House report.</sup> withdraw, at its own request, on the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad that savings banks and institutions for savings may be authorized to invest in the bonds of the St. Johnsbury and Lake Champlain Railroad; and

House report.

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George J. Moulton that our senators and representatives in Congress be instructed to vote for the passage of a law placing silver on the same footing with gold and for the free coinage of silver ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, at twenty-five minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.



THURSDAY, February 25, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treas- Appropriations.  
ury, that the House Bill making appropriations for the  
Massachusetts Soldiers' Home, extermination of the gypsy  
moth and certain other expenses authorized the present  
year, ought to pass ;

On motion of Mr. Southwick, the rules were suspended,  
and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third  
reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in  
concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended, on  
further motion of the same Senator.

By Mr. Read of Middlesex, from the committee on Mil- John Charles.  
itary Affairs, on the petition of Arthur B. Champlin, a  
Resolve in favor of John Charles ;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on  
the Treasury.

By Mr. Howard, from the committee on Labor, on an Women and  
order, a Bill in relation to the employment of women minors, em-  
and minors for the purpose of manufacturing ; ployment of.

By Mr. Raymond, from the committee on Railroads, Newton, city  
on the petition of the mayor of said city, a Bill relating of, — grade  
to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Newton ; crossings.

By Mr. Mott, from the committee on Roads and Brookline, town  
Bridges, on the petition of the selectmen of said town, a of, — laying out  
Bill relating to the laying out of ways in the town of of ways.  
Brookline ; and

By Mr. Nichols, from the committee on Water Supply, Worcester, city  
on the petition of the mayor of said city, a Bill in addi- of, — water  
tion to the acts to supply the city of Worcester with supply.  
water ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for  
to-morrow for a second reading.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Hampshire,  
county of, — in-  
dexing files and  
records in office  
of register of  
probate.

A Bill extending the time for arranging and indexing the files and records in the office of the register of probate for the county of Hampshire, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Metropolitan  
Sewerage  
Commissioners.

A Bill authorizing advances to the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners; and

## Resolves

Mary Powers.

In favor of Mary Powers (on the petition of John Reade);

Luther F.  
Chamberlain.

In favor of Luther F. Chamberlain (on the petition of G. W. Perkins);

Sidney Herrick.

In favor of Sidney Herrick (on the petition of H. C. Sparhawk);

Shubael C.  
Norton.

In favor of Shubael C. Norton (on the petition of the same);

State Farm at  
Bridgewater.

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater (on the annual report of the trustees thereof, in part); and

Massachusetts  
Agricultural  
College.

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (being a new draft of the Senate Resolve with the same title);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

## Bills

Mutual boiler  
insurance com-  
panies.

Concerning the amount which a mutual boiler insurance company may have at risk (on an order);

Boston, city of,  
— salary of  
Nicholas A.  
Apollonio.

Concerning the salary of the late Nicholas A. Apollonio, city registrar of the city of Boston (on the petition of the mayor of said city);

Lunatics and  
dipsomaniacs,  
commitment of.

Relating to the commitment of lunatics and dipsomaniacs (on an order);

Charles H.  
Ingalls.

Concerning the salary of the late Charles H. Ingalls, one of the county commissioners of Berkshire County (on the petition of the widow and daughter of the same); and

Dams, erection  
of, in certain  
cases.

Determining the conditions under which dams may be erected in certain cases across navigable streams and outlets of great ponds for flowing cranberry lands (on the petition of Charles Bassett and others); and

Topographical  
survey and map  
of Massachu-  
setts.

A. Resolve in relation to the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts (on the report of said commissioners);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

A Bill to provide for the taxation of portable mills (introduced on leave in the House), came up, referred to the committee on Taxation, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule. The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the rule and the bill was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

Portable mills,  
taxation of.

A Report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the officers of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union for legislation to prevent the use of tobacco by persons under sixteen years of age, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Tobacco, use of,  
by minors.

### *Annual Reports.*

The twenty-ninth annual report of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Agriculture.

Massachusetts  
Agricultural  
College, report  
of.

The seventh annual report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston, was referred, in concurrence, as follows:—

Board of Police  
of the city of  
Boston, report  
of.

So much thereof as relates to the sale of intoxicating liquor (pages 13, 14 and 15), to the committee on the Liquor Law; and

The residue of the report, to the committee on Cities.

A report of the commissioner appointed to invite contributions of portraits of governors of the Commonwealth to be placed in the State House, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on State House.

Portraits of  
governors.

### *House Petitions, etc.*

By a vote of 14 to 8 (four-fifths of the Senators present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative), the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of the Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company for authority to extend and operate its tracks in the town of Winthrop,— and the same was, under said rule, referred to the next General Court. Subsequently, Mr. Shaw moved that the vote by which the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the rule, be reconsidered, and this motion was, in accordance with the provisions of Senate Rule No. 51, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Winthrop, town  
of, — Boston  
and Revere  
Electric Street  
Railway  
Company.

Newton and  
Boston Street  
Railway  
Company.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of the Newton and Boston Street Railway Company for authority to increase its capital stock, to issue bonds and secure the same by mortgage,—and the same was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court. Subsequently, Mr. Gilman moved that the vote by which the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the rule, be reconsidered, and this motion was, in accordance with the provisions of Senate Rule No. 51, placed in the Orders of the Day for tomorrow.

North Wren-  
tham Cemetery  
Association.

A petition of the trustees of the North Wrentham Cemetery Association that its name may be changed to Norfolk Cemetery Association, came up, referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule. Pending the question on concurring in the suspension of the rule, the petition was, on motion of Mr. Ray, by a vote of 22 to 7, laid on the table.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the following petitions which were, accordingly, under said rule, severally referred to the next General Court:—

Petroleum  
products,  
storage of.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Somerville for legislation prohibiting the storage of petroleum products within the limits of cities except subject to regulations of the city council; and

G. A. R.,—  
department  
headquarters  
in the new  
State House.

A petition of a committee of the G. A. R., department of Massachusetts, that rooms may be set apart in the new State House extension to be used by the G. A. R. as department headquarters.

The following House petitions, etc., were severally referred, in concurrence:—

Somerville, city  
of,—fiftieth  
anniversary.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Somerville that said city may be authorized to expend a sum not exceeding \$5,000 for the observance of the fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation as a town;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.

Constitutional  
amendment,—  
division of  
towns.

Petitions of E. S. Phinney and others; and the town officers of Carlisle and others,—severally, for an amend-

ment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petitions of E. H. Clement and others ; James Humphrey and others ; James Hyde and others ; the president of the Ashmont Improvement Club and others ; Frank E. Orcutt and others ; Hilary Bygrave and others ; Charles G. Loring and others ; Henry Lee, Martin Brimmer and others ; Henry M. Whitney and others ; and Robert Treat Paine and others, — severally, for legislation for the establishment of a Metropolitan Park Commission ;

Metropolitan  
Park Commis-  
sion.

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

A petition of members of the Boston Fruit and Produce Exchange in aid of the bill for interchangeable mileage tickets ;

Railroads, —  
interchangeable  
mileage tickets.

To the committee on Railroads.

A petition of H. F. Lane and others of Templeton in aid of the petition of Isaac Bourn and others for a re-adjustment of the boundary line between the towns of Templeton and Phillipston ;

Templeton and  
Phillipston,  
boundary line  
between.

A petition of W. H. Coomes and others for a division of the town of Longmeadow ; and

Longmeadow,  
town of, —  
division of.

Remonstrances of Charles Burton and others ; J. Marshall Burt and others ; Diodato Morgan and others ; A. H. Calkins and others ; and Ethan C. Ely and others, — severally, against the division of the town of Longmeadow ;

Id.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

### *House Orders.*

By a vote of 11 to 15, the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the following House order, which was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court, to wit : —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the police court of Lee.

Justice of the  
police court at  
Lee, salary of.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the following House order, which was,

accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court, to wit : —

Justice of the  
police court at  
Lee, salary of.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the police court of Lee, and also for providing a clerk for said court.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Map of Congress-  
sional districts.

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing fifteen hundred additional copies of the map accompanying the report of the committee appointed at the last session for redividing the Commonwealth into congressional districts, and showing the present congressional districts of the Commonwealth.

#### *Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed*

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

To incorporate the Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association of Provincetown ;

To authorize the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company to issue mortgage bonds ;

To change the name of the East Gloucester Baptist Society and to define its powers ;

Relating to the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company ;

To authorize the Plymouth and Kingston Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and increase its capital stock ;

To authorize the Boston Rubber Shoe Company to increase its capital stock ;

To authorize the Home for Aged Men to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters ; and

Making appropriations for the compensation and expenses of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game.

An engrossed Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the payment of mileage to members of the General Court (which originated in the House), was passed, and, with the above-named bills, was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation. Resolve passed, etc.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Bill to repeal chapter 192 of the Acts of the year 1886, entitled: "An Act for the protection of the fisheries in Buzzard's Bay," and to authorize certain persons to take mackerel and menhaden with nets and seines (introduced on leave in the House and referred in the House to the committee on Fisheries and Game), and the bill was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court. Buzzard's Bay, fisheries in.

The Senate Resolutions relative to the manufacture of clothing in unhealthy places and the transportation or sale of clothing so manufactured, were adopted. The resolutions were as follows:—

*Resolved*, That it is the sense of the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled, that legislation to prevent the manufacture of clothing in unhealthy places, and the transportation or sale of clothing so manufactured, is wise and expedient, and that the General Court respectfully urges upon the Congress of the United States such action as will best accomplish this result. Clothing made in unhealthy places.

*Resolved*, That copies of these resolutions be sent to the presiding officers of both houses of Congress and to senators and representatives in Congress from this Commonwealth.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the use of check lists in town meetings, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**The Senate bills****Senate bills.**

To define exemptions from the civil service rules (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To incorporate the Cambridge Firemen's Relief Association ;

To authorize the Worcester Polytechnic Institute to hold additional real and personal estate ; and

To authorize the Newburyport Howard Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**The House bills****House bills.**

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith ;

To exempt certain English bloodhounds from the provisions of the act prohibiting the keeping of bloodhounds ; and

To incorporate and enlarge the powers of Fire District No. 1, in the town of South Hadley ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**House bill.**

The House Bill making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1891, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**Senate report.**

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Fall River for an amendment of the charter of said city so as to allow the payment of salaries to members of the common council, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

**The House reports****House reports.**

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to making the State Constitution a required study in the higher grades of the grammar schools and the high schools of the Commonwealth ; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to



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legislate, on the order relative to further regulating the uniform of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia by prescribing the style of overcoat to be worn by general field and staff officers ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Shaw, at twenty-nine minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend A. H. Quint, D.D., of Brookline.

*Report of a Committee.*

Boards and  
Commissions,  
annual reports.

By Mr. McEttrick, from the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to requiring all commissions, boards and officials who regularly report to the General Court to present their reports on or before the second Wednesday in January, annually.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

*Taken from the Table.*

North Wren-  
tham Cemetery  
Association.

On motion of Mr. Ray, the House petition of the trustees of the North Wrentham Cemetery Association that its name may be changed to Norfolk Cemetery Association, was taken from the table and considered, the question being on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. By a vote of 24 to 4, the Senate concurred in the suspension of the rule and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Dame, —

Fisheries and  
Game, com-  
mittee on, —  
stenographer.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Fisheries and Game be authorized to employ a stenographer in connection with its hearings upon the subject of prohibiting seining in Buzzard's Bay.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Fire District  
No. 1 of  
Attleborough.

To authorize an additional water supply for Fire District Number one of Attleborough (on the petition of the officers of said district); and

To authorize the city of Waltham to borrow additional funds for sewers and drains (on the petition of the mayor of said city) ; Waltham, city of, — sewers and drains.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

### Reports

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Heman S. Fay for the passage of a law disqualifying persons convicted and sentenced for acts of criminal misconduct from holding office by election or appointment under the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth ; Criminal, disqualification of, for holding public office.

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring the Secretary of State to send by mail to every legal voter, at least seven days before election, the substance of any proposed amendment to the Constitution to be voted for at the following election ; Constitutional amendments, — notice to voters.

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of John M. Berry that a State loan of three million dollars be made to cities and towns of the Commonwealth, to be used for building homes for the people, and to be paid for in rent ; and State loan for building homes for the people.

On the petition of the Bakers' Protective Assembly for relief from the burdens imposed upon them by the present laws as to labor on the Sabbath ; Sunday laws, — bakers.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John Kenrick and others for an act of incorporation as the Orleans Cemetery Association ; Orleans Cemetery Association.

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Artemas Merriam and others of Westminster for authority to take water from Meeting-house Pond in the town of Westminster ; Westminster, town of, — Meeting-house Pond.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

A Report of the committee on Labor, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to such legislation as will tend to the better protection of skilled labor, and for the registration of labels, marks, names, brands or devices, covering the product of such labor of associations or unions of working men or women, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be Registration of labels, stamps and trade-marks.

referred to the committee on the Judiciary, was read; and so much thereof as relates to the discharge of the committee on Labor, was accepted, in concurrence, and the report was returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

### *Reports.*

Charles River Improvement Commission, report of.

The first report of the Charles River Improvement Commission, was referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

General Superintendent of Prisons, report of, on prison labor.

The fifth annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons, relating to prison labor, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Prisons.

### *House Petitions.*

West Bridgewater, town of, — Bridgewater Water Company.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of H. Eugene Weston and others that the Bridgewater Water Company be granted permission to extend its pipes into West Bridgewater, — and the same was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall in Billerica, — exemption from taxation.

The question on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of C. H. Kohlrausch, Jr., for legislation exempting the Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall in Billerica from taxation, was determined as follows, to wit: —

#### YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Provin, William  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 22.

#### NAYS.

Messrs. Fernald, B. Marvin  
Parkman, Henry

Messrs. Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P. — 4.

#### ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Ray, William F.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 13.

So the Senate concurred in the suspension of the rule, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Taxation.

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence :—

Petitions of the town officers of Hamilton; the town officers of Ipswich; the town officers of Harwich; the town officers of Petersham; and the selectmen of the town of North Reading, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns; Constitutional Amendment, — division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petitions of F. J. Taylor and others; George D. Ayers; Martha Moore Avery and others; and the H. S. George Temperance Union of Boston, — severally, in aid of the petition of the Wendell Phillips Woman's Club for an investigation into the condition of laborers; Laborers, condition of.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Petitions of John Welch and others; F. N. Abbott and others; Charles E. Howarth and others; E. J. Holley and others; James W. Cross and others; Edward F. O'Sullivan and others; William Waters and others; and W. A. Whitney and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of C. W. Morse and others for an act of incorporation as the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company; Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Petitions of Frank A. Crane and others; S. Donnelly and others; and Patrick Hard and others, — severally, for a division of the town of Longmeadow; Longmeadow, town of, division of.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

### *House Orders.*

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the following House order, which was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court, to wit :—

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the power of police officers Minors, — malicious or mischievous acts.

and constables to make arrests without warrant in the case of trivial offences committed by minors, or of enacting such other legislation as shall better protect the public from the malicious or mischievous acts of minors.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Governor to be notified of election and qualification of Alonzo H. Evans as Councillor.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to His Excellency the Governor that Mr. Alonzo H. Evans has been duly elected and qualified as a Councillor, to advise him in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To authorize the Whitman Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company ;

To authorize the East Side Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Brockton Street Railway Company ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls ;

Making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various commissions of the Commonwealth ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson.

Resolve passed, etc.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Gardiner Tufts (which originated in the Senate), was passed, and, with the above-named bills, was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, non-concurred with the House in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition of the Boston and

Revere Electric Street Railway Company for authority to extend and operate its tracks in the town of Winthrop, — prevailed, and, on the recurring question, the rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, non-concurred with the House in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition of the Newton and Boston Street Railway Company for authority to increase its capital stock, to issue bonds and secure the same by mortgage, — prevailed, and, on the recurring question, the rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Newton and  
Boston Street  
Railway  
Company.

#### The bills

In addition to the acts to supply the city of Worcester with water ;

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Newton ;

Relating to the laying out of ways in the town of Brookline ;

In relation to the employment of women and minors for the purpose of manufacturing ;

Concerning the amount which a mutual boiler insurance company may have at risk ;

Concerning the salary of the late Nicholas A. Apollonio, city registrar of the city of Boston ;

Relating to the commitment of lunatics and dipso-maniacs ;

Concerning the salary of the late Charles H. Ingalls, one of the county commissioners of Berkshire County ; and

Determining the conditions under which dams may be erected in certain cases across navigable streams and outlets of great ponds for flowing cranberry lands ; and

The Resolve in relation to the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts ;

Resolve.

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**House bill.**

The House Bill relating to the use of check lists in town meetings, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**House report.**

The House Report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the officers of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union for legislation to prevent the use of tobacco by persons under sixteen years of age, was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Smith, at eight minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.



MONDAY, February 29, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of county commissioner ;

County commissioner, vacancies in office of.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill authorizing advances to the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners ; and

Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, advances to.

The House resolves

In favor of Sidney Herrick ; and

Sidney Herrick.

In favor of Shubael C. Norton, — severally, ought to pass ; and

Shubael C. Norton.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of John Charles ; and

John Charles.

The House resolves

In favor of Mary Powers ; and

Mary Powers.

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, — severally, ought to pass ;

Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to preventing the public distribution of circulars and other advertisements relative to private diseases and other improper printed matter ;

Improper advertisements, etc.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the New England Chautauqua Sunday School Assembly for legislation to enable it to carry out its rules and regulations and to enforce the same ;

New England Chautauqua Sunday School Assembly.

By Mr. Butler, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John F. O'Sullivan that shipping masters may be licensed ;

Shipping masters, licensing of.

Births and  
deaths, returns  
of.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Eben P. Stanwood for legislation providing for the better enforcement of the provisions of section 4 of chapter 32 of the Public Statutes, and section 1 of chapter 158 of the Acts of the year 1883, concerning returns, by sextons, physicians and others, of deaths and births ;

Criminal cases,  
trials of.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 11 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, relating to Superior Courts, so that the provisions thereof shall be limited to trials of criminal cases ; and

Boston, city of,  
— tenure of  
office of officers  
of municipal  
court.

By Mr. Thayer, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. P. Ingalls and others, officers of the municipal court of the city of Boston, that such officers shall serve during the pleasure of the court and give bond for the faithful performance of their duties ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Taken from the Table.*

State Board of  
Arbitration and  
Conciliation,  
report of.

On motion of Mr. Howard, the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation, was taken from the table and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Labor.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Perjury, pun-  
ishment of.

A Bill to provide and define the punishment for perjury, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Resolves

John Ord, Jr.

In favor of John Ord, Jr. (on the petition of the same) ;

George H.  
Gould.

In favor of George H. Gould (on the petition of M. B. Gilbride) ;

Framingham  
Normal School.

To provide for the sale of land at the Framingham Normal School (introduced on leave in the House) ; and

Samuel H.  
Damon.

In favor of Samuel H. Damon (on the petition of the same) ;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Bills

Orange, town  
of, — water  
supply.

To supply the town of Orange with water (on the petition of a committee of said town) ;

To authorize the Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company to change a portion of the location of its railway (on the petition of the same) ; and

Quincy Electric  
Freight Railway  
Company.

To supply the city of Fitchburg with pure water (on the petition of the mayor of said city) ;

Fitchburg, city  
of, — water  
supply.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

### Reports

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to enabling the city of Boston to make annual appropriations for hospitals other than the city hospital ;

Boston, city of,  
— appropri-  
ations for  
hospitals.

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petitions of members of the Trap's Creek Fishing Company for authority to extend said creek by digging a channel across a flat which is dry at ebb tide ;

Trap's Creek  
Fishing  
Company.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Margaret Weise for State aid ;

Margaret  
Weise.

Of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring clergymen to make returns to town and city clerks and registrars, monthly, of all baptisms at which they have officiated ; and

Baptisms,  
registration of.

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that for the purpose of taxation or voting or being voted for, for any office under the Constitution or laws of this Commonwealth, each inhabitant of the Commonwealth shall be deemed an inhabitant on the first day of May of that city or town in which he dwelt with the usual members of his family during the first three weeks of February next preceding ;

Voters, resi-  
dence of, for the  
purpose of  
taxation.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

A Resolve relating to the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties (introduced on leave in the House), came up, referred to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule. Pending the question on concurring in the suspension of the rule, the resolve was, on motion of Mr. Butler, laid on the table.

Commissioner  
on Public  
Records of  
Parishes,  
Towns and  
Counties.

*House Petitions.*

Railroad em-  
ployees, —  
voting.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of W. P. Getchell and others for the passage of a bill, entitled: "An Act giving employees of railroads a right to vote at any polling place within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts;" and the same was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence:—

Days of grace,  
abolishment of.

Petitions of John H. Sanderson and others; C. J. Holmes and others; the presidents of the Fitchburg National Bank, the Rollstone National Bank, the Safety Fund National Bank and others of Fitchburg; William Arthur Gallup and others; the cashiers of the National Exchange Bank, the Merchants' National Bank and the Shawmut National Bank and others of Boston; Stephen Salisbury, president of the Worcester National Bank, the president of the State Mutual Life Assurance Company and others of Worcester, — severally, in aid of the order relative to abolishing days of grace;

Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
division of  
towns.

Petitions of the town officers of North Andover; the town officers of Truro; and the town officers and others of Cohasset, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns;

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Women and  
children, hours  
of labor of.

Petitions of Peter E. Harrington and others; B. J. Hubbennett and others; and Arthur Burns and others, — severally, that 54 hours may constitute a week's work for women and children employed in manufacturing and mercantile establishments; and

Laborers, con-  
dition of.

A petition of Matthew Hart and others that 54 hours may constitute a week's work for women and children employed in manufacturing and mercantile establishments; and that eight hours may constitute a day's work for State, county, city or town employees, with accompanying resolutions of a mass meeting of citizens of New Bedford relative to the condition of laborers;

Severally to the committee on Labor.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Chelsea for Chelsea bridge. such legislation as shall promote the safety and expedition of public travel over Chelsea bridge;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

A petition of the officers of Fire District No. 1 of Fire District No. 1 of North Attleborough. North Attleborough for an amendment of chapter 181 of the Acts of the year 1883, by striking out the last clause of section 12, relating to the raising of money by taxation for enlarging or extending the water works of said district;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

To authorize an additional water supply for Fire District Bills. Number One of Attleborough; and

To authorize the city of Waltham to borrow additional funds for sewers and drains;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bills

To authorize the city of Worcester to make an additional water loan (its title having been changed by the Senate bills. committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Relating to the laying out of ways in the town of Brookline; and

In relation to the employment of women and minors for the purpose of manufacturing;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill relating to the abolition of grade Newton, city of, — grade crossings. crossings in the city of Newton, was read a third time and considered. Pending the question on passing the same to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Thayer, postponed until to-morrow.

The House bills

Relating to insurance risks of mutual boiler insurance House bill.

companies (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

House bills.

Relating to the salary of the late Nicholas A. Apollonio, city registrar of the city of Boston (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Relating to the commitment of lunatics and dipsomaniacs ;

Relating to the salary of the late Charles H. Ingalls, county commissioner of the county of Berkshire (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

Relating to the conditions under which dams may be erected across navigable streams and outlets of great ponds for flowing cranberry lands (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

House resolve.

The House Resolve in relation to the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Senate report.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to requiring all commissions, boards and officials who regularly report to the General Court to present their reports on or before the second Wednesday in January annually, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Heman S. Fay for the passage of a law disqualifying persons convicted and sentenced for acts of criminal misconduct from holding office by election and appointment under the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth ;

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring the Secretary of State to send by mail to every legal voter, at least seven days before election, the substance of any proposed amendment to the Constitution to be voted for at the following election ;

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry that a State loan of three

million dollars be made to cities and towns of the Commonwealth, to be used for building homes for the people and to be paid for in rent ;

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Bakers' Protective Assembly for relief from burdens imposed upon them by the present laws as to labor on the Sabbath ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John Kenrick and others for an act of incorporation as the Orleans Cemetery Association ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Artemas Merriam and others of Westminster for authority to take water from Meeting-house Pond in the town of Westminster ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Wyer, at ten minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Clerk of courts  
for the county  
of Barnstable,  
salary of.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the courts for the county of Barnstable, ought to pass:

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Massachusetts  
Medical  
Benevolent  
Society.

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of the same, a Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Solicitor-  
General, office  
of.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Citizens' Law and Order League for a revival of the office of Solicitor-General with assistant Solicitors-General;

Judge of Pro-  
bate and  
Insolvency for  
county of  
Franklin, salary  
of.

By Mr. Drury, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Chester C. Conant, judge of Probate and Insolvency for the county of Franklin, for an increase of salary; and

Third clerk in  
insurance  
department,  
salary of.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to increasing the salary of the third clerk in the insurance department;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Committee Discharged.*Voters, legal  
residence of.

Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Election Laws, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Cyrus A. Stone and others for a change in the law so that six months shall be the time required to establish a residence as a qualification for voting, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments;

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.



*Petitions.*

Mr. Kimball presented petitions of Grove Gaylord and others ; and the town officers of the town of Mount Washington, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns, which were severally referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Resolve to confirm the acts of Edward L. Tead as a justice of the peace (on the petition of the same), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Edward L. Tead.

## Bills

To authorize the city of Brockton to make an additional water loan (on the petition of said city) ;

Brockton, city of, — water loan.

To incorporate the Millis Water Company (on the petition of Henry L. Millis and others) ;

Millis Water Company.

To enable the city of Somerville to provide for the payment of its funded debt by annual payments of such amounts as will in the aggregate extinguish the same within the time limited by law (on the petition of the mayor of said city) ;

Somerville, city of, — funded debt.

Defining the liability of the towns of Cottage City and Tisbury for the maintenance of Lagoon bridge, and for damages resulting from defects therein ; also determining the duties of the county commissioners in respect to the draw of said bridge (on the petition of the county commissioners of Dukes County) ; and

Cottage City and Tisbury, towns of, — Lagoon bridge.

Relative to the packing and branding of nails (on an order) ;

Nails, packing and branding of.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

A Report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that the vote on the question of granting liquor licenses shall hereafter be taken every third year instead of annually, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Intoxicating liquors, — vote on the question of granting licenses.

*House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Columbia Loan  
and Trust Com-  
pany.

A petition of J. Henry Stevenson and others for the incorporation of the Columbia Loan and Trust Company ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Savings banks,  
— monthly  
deposits.

A petition of C. W. Ranlett and others in aid of the petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank and others for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly ;

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
division of  
towns.

Petitions of the town officers of Upton ; and the town officers of Stowe, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
number of  
licenses.

A petition of William Whiting and others for the repeal of the law limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

*Bill Enacted.*

Bill enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

An engrossed Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Soldiers' Home, extermination of the gypsy moth, and certain other expenses authorized the present year (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted, signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Newton, city of,  
— grade  
crossings.

The Senate Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Newton, was considered, the question being on passing the same to be engrossed. Pending this question, Mr. Thayer moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to give a public hearing with a view to reporting a general law

extending the provisions of the bill to all cities, towns and railroads in the Commonwealth, and this motion was lost by a vote of 4 to 14. The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**The bills**

Relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of Bills.  
county commissioner;

Authorizing advances to the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners;

To supply the town of Orange with water;

To authorize the Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company to change a portion of the location of its railway;  
and

To supply the city of Fitchburg with pure water; and

The resolves

In favor of John Charles;

**Resolves.**

In favor of Mary Powers;

In favor of Sidney Herrick;

In favor of Shubael C. Norton; and

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**The House bills**

To authorize Fire District Number One of Attleboro- House bills.  
ough to increase its water supply (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);  
and

To authorize the city of Waltham to make additional loans for sewers and drains (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**The Senate reports**

Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, Senate reports.  
on the petition of the New England Chautauqua Sunday School Assembly for legislation to enable it to carry out its rules and regulations and to enforce the same;

Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Eben P. Stanwood for legislation providing for the better enforcement of the provisions of section 4 of chapter 32 of the Public Statutes, and sec-

tion 1 of chapter 158 of the Acts of the year 1883, concerning returns, by sextons, physicians and others, of deaths and births ;

Senate reports.

Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. P. Ingalls and others, officers of the municipal court of the city of Boston, that such officers shall serve during the pleasure of the court and give bond for the faithful performance of their duties ;

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to preventing the public distribution of circulars and other advertisements relative to private diseases and other improper printed matter ; and

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 11 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, relating to Superior Courts, so that the provisions thereof shall be limited to trials of criminal cases ;

Were severally accepted.

Shipping  
masters,  
licensing of.

The Senate Report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John F. O'Sullivan that shipping masters may be licensed, was considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance thereof, the report was, on motion of Mr. Howard, laid on the table.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to enabling the city of Boston to make annual appropriations for hospitals other than the city hospital ;

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petitions of members of the Trap's Creek Fishing Company for authority to extend said creek by digging a channel across a flat which is dry at ebb tide ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Margaret Weise for State aid ;

Of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring clergymen to make returns to town and city clerks and registrars, monthly, of all baptisms at which they have officiated ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that for the purpose of taxation or voting or being voted for for any office under

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the Constitution or laws of this Commonwealth, each inhabitant of the Commonwealth shall be deemed an inhabitant on the first day of May of that city or town in which he dwelt with the usual members of his family during the first three weeks of February next preceding ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dame, at one minute before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House resolves

Luther F.  
Chamberlain.  
John Ord, Jr.  
George H.  
Gould.

In favor of Luther F. Chamberlain ;

In favor of John Ord, Jr. ; and

In favor of George H. Gould, — severally, ought to pass ;

Superior Court,  
official stenog-  
raphers of.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the payment of official stenographers of the Superior Court ; and

Taunton  
Lunatic  
Hospital.

The Senate Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, — severally, ought to pass ; and

Justice and  
clerk of police  
court of Marl-  
borough,  
salaries of.

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the House Bill to establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Marlborough ; and

State Farm at  
Bridgewater.

The House resolves

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;

Framingham  
Normal School.

To provide for the sale of land at the Framingham Normal School ; and

Samuel H.  
Damon.

In favor of Samuel H. Damon, — severally, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Hamilton B.  
Staples, widow  
of.

By Mr. Stevens, from the committee on Expenditures, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Hamilton B. Staples, ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title ; and

Marlborough  
Hospital.

By Mr. Gilman, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of E. G. Hoitt and others, a Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the Marlborough Hospital ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Annual Report.*

The annual report of the State Board of Health relative to prosecutions and expenses in connection with the inspection of food and drugs, was received and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Food and drugs,  
inspection of.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Petition.*

Mr. McDonald presented a petition of the mayor of the city of Marlborough that said city may be authorized to acquire an additional water supply and issue bonds, notes or securities to defray the expense thereof, — which was, on motions of the same Senator, referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Marlborough,  
city of, — water  
supply.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Order Referred to the Next General Court.*

Mr. Raymond presented the following order, and moved a suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon, to wit: —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of providing that a railroad corporation, chartered by the concurrent legislation of this Commonwealth and of any other State, whose railroad connects in such other State with the railroad of a corporation chartered by the laws of such other State, may lease or purchase the road, franchises and property of such last named corporation, or may consolidate with the same in such manner and upon such terms as the laws of such other State may prescribe and with all the powers and privileges conferred upon it by the laws of such other State.

Railroads, con-  
solidation of.

By a vote of 22 to 8 (four-fifths of the Senators present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative), the Senate refused to suspend the rule and the order was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill fixing the times and place for holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Suffolk, county  
of, — probate  
courts.

## Bills

Lawrence, city  
of, — bridge  
over north  
canal.

To authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the north canal of the Essex Company on Broadway, in said city (on the petition of the mayor of said city) ;

Horses, docking  
of.

For the protection of horses mutilated by docking (on the petition of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) ;

Roxbury Trust  
Company.

To incorporate the Roxbury Trust Company (on the petition of William H. H. Andrews and others) ;

Veranus Land  
Company.

To incorporate the Veranus Land Company (on the petition of Frank E. Tuttle and others) ;

Yarmouth,  
town of, —  
oysters.

To except the town of Yarmouth from the provisions of the law allowing the taking of oysters at certain seasons without a permit (on an order) ;

Ipswich, town  
of, — feoffees of  
grammar  
school.

To authorize the feoffees of the grammar school in the town of Ipswich to sell and convey certain real estate (on the petition of the same) ; and

Shawmut Con-  
gregational  
Society of  
Boston.

Authorizing the Shawmut Congregational Society of Boston to sell its meeting-house (on the petition of C. C. Coffin and others) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

## Reports

Commission of  
Medical  
Science.

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Augustin Thompson for the establishment of a Commission of Medical Science ;

Free text-books.

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing cities and towns to allow pupils on leaving or graduating from the public schools to receive from the city or town the books in use by said pupils at that time ;

Yarmouth,  
town of, —  
oysters.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of W. S. Farris and others for legislation to regulate the taking of oysters in the waters of the town of Yarmouth ;

Maplewood  
Cemetery  
Association.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George S. Ball for the incorporation of the Maplewood Cemetery Association ; and

Willimansett  
Aqueduct  
Company.

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Q. J. Smith and others for incorporation as the Willimansett Aqueduct Company ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.



*Reports.*

The fifth annual report of the Controller of County Accounts, was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Controller of County Accounts, report of.

An Abstract of the Certificates of Corporations, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Abstract of Certificates of Corporations.

*House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence :—

A petition of the mayor of the city of Somerville that said city may be authorized to raise not exceeding \$100,000 in excess of the limit fixed by law, to cover the cost of paving on Somerville and Webster avenues ; Somerville, city of,— streets.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.

A petition of the town officers of Spencer for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ; Constitutional amendment,— division of towns.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit :—

To authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law, for the completion of a new city hall building ; Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To further extend the time of exemption of the city of Brockton from the operation of an act relative to the limit of the municipal debt and the rate of taxation in cities ;

To authorize the town of Provincetown to appropriate money to water its streets ;

Placing the waters of Squam Pond in the city of Gloucester under the control of the United States Fish Commission ;

To incorporate the Millis Savings Bank ;

In relation to the admission of fraternal beneficiary organizations of other States ; and

To authorize the town of Marblehead to make an additional water loan.

The following engrossed resolves (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed, and, with the above-named bills, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Resolves  
passed, etc.

Relating to the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association ;

Providing for the collection by the Bureau of Statistics of Labor of certain statistics relative to families residing in rented tenements in the city of Boston ;

In favor of James Burke ;

In favor of Joanna L. Cox ; and

In favor of the town of Oxford.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Millis Water  
Company.

The Bill to incorporate the Millis Water Company, was read a second time and considered ; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Butler, laid on the table.

Bills.

The bills

To authorize the Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the courts for the county of Barnstable ;

Relative to the packing and branding of nails ;

To authorize the city of Brockton to make an additional water loan ;

Defining the liability of the towns of Cottage City and Tisbury for the maintenance of Lagoon bridge, and for damages resulting from defects therein ; also determining the duties of the county commissioners in respect to the draw of said bridge ; and

To enable the city of Somerville to provide for the payment of its funded debt by annual payments of such

amounts as will in the aggregate extinguish the same within the time limited by law ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relating to the filling of vacancies in Senate bill.  
the office of county commissioner ; and

The Senate Resolve in favor of John Charles ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be Senate resolve.  
engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Authorizing advances to the Metropolitan Sewerage House bills.  
Commissioners ;

To supply the town of Orange with water ;

To authorize the Quincy Electric Freight Railway  
Company to change a portion of the location of its rail-  
way ; and

To authorize the city of Fitchburg to increase its water  
supply (its title having been changed by the committee  
on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

The House resolves

In favor of Mary Powers ;

House resolves.

In favor of Sidney Herrick ;

In favor of Shubael C. Norton ; and

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be  
engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on the Judiciary, Senate report.  
leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Citizens' Law  
and Order League for a revival of the office of Solicitor-  
General with assistant Solicitors-General, was accepted.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Service, Id.  
leave to withdraw, on the petition of Chester C. Conant,  
judge of Probate and Insolvency for the county of Frank-  
lin, for an increase of salary, was considered ; and, pend-  
ing the question on the acceptance of the report, it was,  
on motion of Mr. Clark, laid on the table.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Service, Id.  
inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to increasing  
the salary of the third clerk in the insurance department,  
was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

House report.

The House Report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that the vote on the question of granting liquor licenses shall hereafter be taken every third year instead of annually, was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mott, at two minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend S. Hopkins Emery of Taunton.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Shaw, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Henry Denver and others, a Bill to incorporate the Wildey Savings Bank in the city of Boston; and

Wildey Savings Bank.

By Mr. Thayer, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of the selectmen of said town, a Bill to authorize the town of Plymouth to discontinue Town Dock in said town as a public landing place;

Plymouth, town of,— Town Dock.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Reconsideration.*

On motion of Mr. Raymond, the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, refused to suspend the 12th joint rule on the following order, was reconsidered, to wit:—

*Ordered,* That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of providing that a railroad corporation, chartered by the concurrent legislation of this Commonwealth and of any other State, whose railroad connects in such other State with the railroad of a corporation chartered by the laws of such other State, may lease or purchase the road, franchises and property of such last named corporation, or may consolidate with the same in such manner and upon such terms as the laws of such other State may prescribe and with all the powers and privileges conferred upon it by the laws of such other State.

Railroads, consolidation of.

The recurring question on the suspension of the 12th joint rule was then determined as follows, to wit:—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.

Messrs. Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Provin, William  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F.—25.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Howard, Robert  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Thayer, John R.—8.

## PAIRED.

## YEA.

Mr. Patrick J. Kennedy,

## NAY.

Mr. Christopher C. Merritt (present).—2.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Coveney, John W.

Messrs. Drury, John E.  
Nutter, Isaac N.—4.

So the Senate refused to suspend the rule (four-fifths of the Senators present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative) and the order was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Proxy voting.

A Bill to allow members of certain charitable and other corporations to vote by proxy (on the petition of Alexander H. Rice and others), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

## Bills

Norfolk, county  
of,—court  
house at  
Dedham.  
Polls and estates  
in the Common-  
wealth.

To authorize the enlargement of the court house in Dedham, Norfolk County; and

To establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth (on the report of the Tax Commissioner relating to the subject); and

A Resolve to provide for the exchange of certain copies of the reprint of early Massachusetts acts and resolves (introduced on leave in the House);

Early Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts, copies of, for exchange.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

A Report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to more stringent legislation against the custom of walking on railroad tracks, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Railroad tracks, walking on.

A Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to extending the time for the final report of the commission appointed to investigate existing systems of manual training and industrial education, provided for by chapter 106 of the Resolves of the year 1891, so that it can be made to the next Legislature, and of providing for continuing the commission itself, — and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on Education, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Commission appointed to investigate manual training and industrial education, report of.

The Senate Bill to raise the standard of the illuminating power of gas, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended by the House by inserting in section 1, line 2, after the word "statutes," the words "as amended by chapter two hundred and fifty of the Acts of the year 1886, and chapter two hundred and fifty-two of the Acts of the year 1890;" also by striking out, in section 1, line 9, the word "four," and inserting in place thereof the word "six;" also by striking out in section 1, lines 25 and 26, the words "or more than ten per cent. of carbonic oxide."

Gas, illuminating power of.

Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendments, the bill was, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

### *House Petitions.*

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the following House petitions, which were, accordingly, under said rule, severally referred to the next General Court: —

A petition of Charles Dana Palmer and others for legislation regulating the entry and starting of horses at places where prizes or premiums are competed for;

Horse racing.

Nantucket  
Island, — quail.

A petition of John M. Winslow and others that the killing of quail may be prohibited on Nantucket Island for the term of two years; and

Natick, town  
of.

A petition of the clerk of the overseers of the poor of the town of Natick, that said town may be reimbursed the sum of \$32.04 on account of the board of Sarah E. Bowker, at the Worcester Lunatic Hospital.

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence: —

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
division of  
towns.

A petition of the town officers and others of Norwell for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns;

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
number of  
licenses.

A petition of J. F. Sullivan and others for the repeal of the act limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors; and

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
houses of relig-  
ious worship.

Petitions of S. D. Ashley and others; Edward T. Curnick and others; Charles F. Rice and others; Seth C. Carey and others; and Thomas Scully and others, — severally, that no place shall be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquor within 400 feet of a building used for stated religious worship;

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Hoosac Tunnel  
and Wilmington  
Railroad Com-  
pany.

A petition of the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company for legislation confirming the organization of the company and validating the acts of its officers;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Railroads.

### *House Orders.*

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the following House order, which was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court, to wit: —

Intoxicating  
liquors, — vote  
on the question  
of granting  
licenses.

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so that in every city where a majority of the inhabitants vote to grant licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, such licenses shall only be granted in those wards in which a majority of "yes" votes are cast upon the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this city?"



The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

*Ordered*, That the Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor, be taken from the files of last year and referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments. Constitutional amendment, — property qualification for the office of Governor.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

Relating to the payment of official stenographers of the Bills.  
Superior Court; •

To amend an act to incorporate the Marlborough Hospital;

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Marlborough;

To authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the north canal of the Essex Company on Broadway, in said city;

To except the town of Yarmouth from the provisions of the law allowing the taking of oysters at certain seasons without a permit;

To authorize the feoffees of the grammar school in the town of Ipswich to sell and convey certain real estate; and

Authorizing the Shawmut Congregational Society of Boston to sell its meeting-house; and

The resolves

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Resolves.  
Taunton Lunatic Hospital;

In favor of the widow of the late Hamilton B. Staples;

In favor of Luther F. Chamberlain;

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater;

In favor of John Ord, Jr.;

In favor of George H. Gould;

To provide for the sale of land at the Framingham Normal School; and

In favor of Samuel H. Damon;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Veranus Land Company, Veranus Land Company.  
was read a second time and considered; and, pending the

question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Provin, postponed until Wednesday, March 9.

**Roxbury Trust Company.**

The Bill to incorporate the Roxbury Trust Company, was read a second time and considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. McDonald, laid on the table.

**Horses mutilated by docking, protection of.**

The Bill for the protection of horses mutilated by docking, was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Meade moved that it be recommitted to the committee on Agriculture, and this motion was negatived. By a vote of 9 to 11, the bill was refused a third reading.

**Senate bill.**

The Senate Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

**The House bills**

**House bills.**

To establish the salary of the clerk of the courts for the county of Barnstable;

Relative to the packing and branding of nails;

To authorize the city of Brockton to make an additional water loan; and

Defining the liability of the towns of Cottage City and Tisbury for the maintenance of Lagoon bridge, and for damages resulting from defects therein; also determining the duties of the county commissioners in respect to the draw of said bridge;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**The House reports**

**House reports.**

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Augustin Thompson for the establishment of a commission of medical science;

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing cities and towns to allow pupils on leaving or graduating from the public schools to receive from the city or town the books in use by said pupils at that time;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of W. S. Farris and others for legislation to regulate the taking of oysters in the waters of the town of Yarmouth;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George S. Ball for the incorporation of the Maplewood Cemetery Association; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Q. J. Smith and others for incorporation as the Willimansett Aqueduct Company;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at three minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P.M.

FRIDAY, March 4, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of a Committee.*

Fifth assistant  
clerk of  
Superior Court  
for Suffolk  
County,  
salary of.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill providing for a fifth assistant clerk of the Superior Court, civil session, for the county of Suffolk, ought to pass, with an amendment striking out in section 1, the words "twenty-five hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words "two thousand ;"

Placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

Third assistant  
clerk of municipal  
court of city  
of Boston,  
salary of.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill to establish the salary of the third assistant clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business, ought to pass ; and

Justice of the  
East Boston  
district court,  
salary of.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the House Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the East Boston district court, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next for a second reading.

*Reconsideration.*

Horse racing.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of Charles Dana Palmer and others for legislation regulating the entry and starting of horses at places where prizes or premiums are competed for, — was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on concurring in the suspension of the rule, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Southwick, postponed until Wednesday, March 9.

*Petition.*

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
division of  
towns.

Mr. Nichols presented a petition of the town officers of Boylston for an amendment to the Constitution requiring

the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns, which was referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Clark, —

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns to-day, it adjourn to meet on Tuesday next at two o'clock P.M. Adjournment until Tuesday.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of members of the fire department and others of Swampscott for legislation concerning the appointment and term of office of the engineers of the fire department of said town, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next. Swampscott, town of, — fire department.

*House Petitions.*

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of Charles C. Pitts that the fee of a justice of the peace for administering an oath and certifying the same under his official seal may be fixed at one dollar, — and the same was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court. Justices of the peace, — fees.

The question on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of David S. Beetle that he may be made eligible to receive State aid, was, at the request of Mr. Wyer, postponed until Tuesday next. David S. Beetle.

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

A petition of William Whiting and others in aid of the petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, relating to savings banks, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly ; Savings banks, — monthly interest on deposits.

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

A petition of Charles D. W. Marcy and others that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor ; Intoxicating liquors, — agents.

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

**Sarah J. Brown.** A petition of William H. Oakes that Sarah J. Brown may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Military Affairs.

**Woman  
suffrage.**

A petition of Charles D. W. Marcy and others for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers ;

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

### *House Orders.*

The consideration of the following House order was, at the request of Mr. Butler, postponed until Tuesday next, to wit : —

**Reports of the  
joint special  
committees  
appointed by  
the last Legisla-  
ture to sit  
during the  
recess.**

*Ordered*, That the joint special committee appointed by the last Legislature to consider the subject of greater uniformity and system in the provisions of law relative to the several cities of the Commonwealth and the framing of a general form of municipal charter ; the joint special committee to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions ; and the joint special committee to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto, and kindred subjects, — be directed to report to this Legislature not later than March 21.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

**Bounty for  
killing seals.**

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 287 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the bounty for killing seals, by striking out, in the eighth line, the word “ one,” and inserting in place thereof the word “ two,” so that the bounty for killing seals shall be two dollars.

### *Bills Enacted.*

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted and

were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1891; Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women and for expenses in connection therewith; and

To incorporate and enlarge the powers of Fire District No. 1 in the town of South Hadley.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Somerville to provide for the payment of its funded debt by annual payments of such amounts as will in the aggregate extinguish the same within the time limited by law (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time and considered. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by inserting after the word "amended," in section 1, line 4 (as printed), the following words: "by striking out all after the word 'payment,' in the sixteenth line, and inserting in place thereof the following words: 'and for the payment, from time to time, of the outstanding notes, bonds or scrip, which shall constitute the said remainder of its indebtedness, as they shall severally mature, in such annual proportionate sums as will extinguish, or in annual payments of such amounts as will in the aggregate extinguish, said indebtedness or the loans incurred in payment of the same or any part thereof, within the time hereby authorized, and the amount required for such payments shall without further vote be assessed by the assessors of said city in each year thereafter, until the said indebtedness shall be extinguished, in the same manner as other taxes are assessed under the provisions of section 34 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes.'"

Pending the question on the adoption of the amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Butler, postponed until Tuesday next.

Gas, illuminat-  
ing power of.

The Senate concurred in the adoption of the House amendments to the Senate Bill to raise the standard of the illuminating power of gas, — inserting in section 1, line 2, after the word “statutes,” the words “as amended by chapter two hundred and fifty of the Acts of the year 1886, and chapter two hundred and fifty-two of the Acts of the year 1890;” by striking out, in section 1, line 9, the word “four,” and inserting in place thereof the word “six;” and by striking out, in section 1, lines 25 and 26, the words “or more than ten per cent. of carbonic oxide.”

The bills

Bills.

To incorporate the Wildey Savings Bank in the city of Boston; and

To authorize the town of Plymouth to discontinue Town Dock in said town as a public landing place;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bills

Senate bills.

Relating to the payment of official stenographers of the Superior Court; and

Relating to the Marlborough Hospital (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

The Senate resolves

Senate resolves.

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital; and

In favor of the widow of the late Hamilton B. Staples;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

House bills.

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Marlborough;

To authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the north canal of the Essex Company on Broadway, in said city;

Relating to the taking of oysters in the town of Yarmouth (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

To authorize the feoffees of the grammar school in the town of Ipswich to sell and convey certain real estate; and

The House resolves

House resolves.

In favor of Luther F. Chamberlain;



Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;

In favor of John Ord (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

In favor of George H. Gould ;

To provide for the sale of land at the Framingham Normal School ; and

In favor of Samuel H. Damon ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Railroads, House report. inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to more stringent legislation against the custom of walking on railroad tracks, was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, at eleven minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Tuesday next at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, March 8, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Edward L.  
Tead.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Resolve to confirm the acts of Edward L. Tead as a justice of the peace, ought to pass ;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taunton, city  
of,—water loan.

By Mr. Nichols, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the mayor of said city, a Bill to authorize the city of Taunton to make an additional water loan ;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred :—

Essex County  
Safe Deposit  
and Trust  
Company.

By Mr. Meade, a petition of Benjamin W. Russell and others that they may be incorporated as the Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Reading, town  
of,—water  
bonds.

By Mr. Fernald, a petition of the Water Commissioners of the town of Reading that said town may be authorized to issue additional water bonds for the purpose of extending its pipes and increasing its service ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Supreme  
Judicial Court,  
transfer of cases  
in.

A Bill authorizing the transfer of cases in the Supreme Judicial Court, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary,

**Reports**

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing for the appointment of boards of police for the several cities of the Commonwealth to have the control and direction of the police force of said cities, and the administration of the laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquor therein ;

Boards of  
police, appoint-  
ment of.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to repealing sections 33, 37 and 39 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, relating to the taking of fish in the Merrimac river ;

Merrimac  
River, taking of  
fish in.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Boston Emergency Hospital for an appropriation from the treasury of the Commonwealth, or that the city of Boston may be authorized to make an annual appropriation to said hospital ;

Boston  
Emergency  
Hospital.

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to compelling cities of 50,000 inhabitants and over to provide free warm baths for the poor during the winter months ; and

Free warm  
baths.

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to preventing the building or use of barns, sheds or other buildings commonly used by cattle or other domestic animals, in the cities of the Commonwealth within 150 feet of any dwelling-house ;

Stables.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Annual Report.*

The third annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Massachusetts  
Hospital for  
Dipsomaniacs  
and Inebriates,  
report of  
trustees of.

A Bill to incorporate the Methuen Water Company (on the petitions of C. H. Tenney and others), came up, recommitted by the House to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to give public notice and a hearing ; and the Senate concurred therein.

Methuen Water  
Company.

*House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence :—

Petitions of Burt T. Stevenson and others ; J. F. Manahan and others ; Francis Carl and others ; John Welch

Lowell, Law-  
rence and Hay-  
erhill Street  
Railway Com-  
pany.

and others; Gilbert C. Osgood and others; Charles A. Marshall and others; Edwin Cornock and others; Nathan Thissell and others; Charles McCarthy and others; H. F. Peabody and others; W. J. Sears and others; James S. Murphy and others; George E. Putnam and others; J. O. Perkins and others; Frederick Lawton and others; Ferdinand Durand and others; Hiram C. Gordon and others; Thomas M. O'Niell and others; Joseph Dextra and others; and A. G. Cumnock and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Charles Morse and others for incorporation of the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company;

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

### *Bills Enacted.*

The following engrossed bills (both of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:—

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

Relating to the issuing of railroad passes and the compensation of members of the Legislature; and

Relating to insurance risks of mutual boiler insurance companies.

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The following House order, the consideration of which was postponed from Friday last, was considered:—

Joint special  
committees,  
reports of.

*Ordered*, That the joint special committee appointed by the last Legislature to consider the subject of greater uniformity and system in the provisions of law relative to the several cities of the Commonwealth and the framing of a general form of municipal charter; the joint special committee to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions; and the joint special committee to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto, and kindred subjects, — be directed to report to this Legislature not later than March 21.

Mr. Butler moved that the order be laid upon the table. Mr. Parkman moved that the order be amended by strik-

ing out the word "directed," and inserting in place thereof the word "requested;" also by striking out the words "not later than March 21," and inserting in place thereof the words "at as early a date as possible." The motion of Mr. Butler prevailed, and the order was laid upon the table.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of David S. Beetle that he may be made eligible to receive State aid (the consideration of which was postponed from Friday last), and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs.

David S.  
Beetle.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Somerville to provide for the payment of its funded debt by annual payments of such amounts as will in the aggregate extinguish the same within the time limited by law, was considered, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Somerville, city  
of, — funded  
debt.

### *The bills*

To establish the salary of the third assistant clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business; and

Bills.

To establish the salary of the justice of the East Boston district court;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill providing for a fifth assistant clerk of the Superior Court, civil session, for the county of Suffolk, was read a second time and considered. The amendment recommended by the committee on the Treasury, striking out in section 1, lines 9 and 10, the words "twenty-five hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words "two thousand," — was rejected, by a vote of 12 to 13.

Fifth assistant  
clerk of  
Superior  
Court, Suffolk  
County, salary  
of.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, the bill was amended by striking out, in section 1, lines 1, 2, 3 and 4, the words "The clerk of the Superior Court for the county of Suffolk may, subject to the approval of a majority of the

justices of said court," and inserting in place thereof the words "The justices of the Superior Court, or a majority of them, may."

Mr. Southwick moved that the bill be amended in section 1, line 9, by striking out the word "twenty-five," and inserting, in place thereof, the word "twenty-two." Mr. McDonald moved that the bill be amended in the same section and line by striking out the word "twenty-five," and inserting, in place thereof, the word "twenty-four." The question was first put on allowing the word "twenty-five," to stand, and the same was negatived. The question on the adoption of the amendment moved by Mr. McDonald was next put, and the amendment was rejected by a vote of 4 to 15. The amendment moved by Mr. Southwick was then adopted by a vote of 17 to 9, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

#### The Senate bills

##### Senate bills.

To incorporate the Wildey Savings Bank in the city of Boston; and

To authorize the town of Plymouth to discontinue Town Dock in said town as a public landing place;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

##### House bill.

The House Bill authorizing the Shawmut Congregational Society of Boston to sell its property (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

##### House report.

The House Report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of members of the fire department and others of Swampscott for legislation concerning the appointment and term of office of the engineers of the fire department of said town, was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Provin, at nine minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, March 9, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Resolve to provide for the exchange of certain copies of the reprint of early Massachusetts Acts and Resolves, ought to pass ;

Early Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts, copies of, for exchange.

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the House Bill to authorize the enlargement of the court house in Dedham, Norfolk County, ought to pass ; and

Norfolk, county of, — court house at Dedham.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the House Bill to establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth, ought to pass ;

Polls and estates in the Commonwealth.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Gilman, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of the same, a Bill to authorize the New England Hospital for Women and Children to hold additional real and personal estate ;

New England Hospital for Women and Children.

By Mr. Mott, from the committee on Railroads, on the petition of Charles H. Baker, a Bill to compel the Boston and Maine Railroad Company to furnish suitable depot accommodations at Lynn ; and

Boston & Maine R. R., — depot accommodations in Lynn.

By Mr. Thayer, from the committee on Towns, on the petitions of the selectmen and others of said town, a Bill to authorize the town of Revere to establish a grade for cellars ;

Revere, town of, — cellar grades.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Read of Middlesex, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of the same, a Resolve in favor of George A. Barnard ;

George A. Barnard.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Telephone and  
telegraph com-  
panies, taxation  
of.

By Mr. Champlin, from the committee on **Taxation**, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to giving cities and towns the right to tax all telephone and telegraph companies doing business in the Commonwealth, either on their poles, wires or instruments, or all ;

Id.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to so amending the laws relating to taxation as to provide that all telegraph, telephone and electric light companies shall be assessed a tax on all poles erected or maintained by them in any city or town, the same to be paid into the treasury of such city or town ; and

Sleeping cars,  
taxation of.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending the laws in relation to the amount of taxes, so as to provide for the assessment of a tax upon all sleeping cars owned outside of this State and operated or coming within the limits of this Commonwealth ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

#### *Reconsideration.*

Methuen Water  
Company.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, concurred in the recommitment, to the committee on Water Supply, of the House Bill to incorporate the Methuen Water Company, with instructions to give public notice and a hearing, — was reconsidered. On the recurring question, the Senate, by a vote of 1 to 13 (a quorum being present), non-concurred in the recommitment with instructions, and the bill was returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

#### *Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred :—

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
division of  
towns.

By Mr. Clark, a petition of C. C. Burdett and others for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Province  
lands, appro-  
priation for.

By Mr. Thayer, a petition of J. Evarts Green and others for an appropriation to be expended on the province lands by the trustees of public reservations ;

To the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

Severally sent down for concurrence.



By Mr. Parkman, a petition of Alden E. Viles for confirmation of his acts as a justice of the peace;

Alden E.  
Viles.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Nutter, —

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of enabling national banks now doing business in this Commonwealth to reorganize as safe deposit and loan and trust companies or as State banks.

National banks,  
reorganization  
of, as safe  
deposit and  
loan and trust  
companies, or  
as State banks.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to amend chapter 471 of the Acts of the year 1889, entitled: "An Act to provide for a continuation of the publication of the decisions of the Supreme Judicial Court," was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Supreme  
Judicial Court,  
decisions of.

**Bills**

To establish the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court (on an order); and

Justices of  
Supreme  
Judicial Court,  
— salaries.  
Constitutional  
amendments.

Providing for the publication and posting of proposed constitutional amendments (on an order); and

**Resolves**

Providing for finishing and furnishing the new dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester (on the petition of the visitors of said school);

State Normal  
School at  
Worcester.

In favor of Augustus Barnes (on the petition of the same);

Augustus  
Barnes.

In favor of the town of Manchester (on the petition of the selectmen of said town); and

Manchester,  
town of.

Providing for printing the special report of the State Board of Agriculture on the work of extermination of the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth (on an order);

Gypsy moth,  
report on work  
of extermina-  
tion of.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

**Bills**

To authorize the Fitchburg Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and to purchase the Leominster

Fitchburg  
Street Railway  
Company, —

Leominster  
Street Railway.

Street Railway and to change the name of the former corporation (on the petitions of said companies and of George F. Morse and others) ;

Worcester  
District M. E.  
Church Camp-  
meeting Asso-  
ciation.  
Wild fowl.

To increase the number of trustees of the Worcester District Methodist Episcopal Church Camp-meeting Association (on the petition of James Mudge) ; and

Relative to the pursuing of wild fowl (on an order and sundry petitions) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Commissioner  
on portraits of  
governors,  
report of.

A Report of the committee on State House, no legislation necessary, on the report of the commissioner appointed to invite contributions of portraits of governors of the Commonwealth to be placed in the State House, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

#### *House Petitions, etc.*

The following House petitions, etc., were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
division of  
towns.

Petitions of the town officers of Blackstone ; the town officers of Mattapoisett ; the selectmen of the town of Northfield ; and the town officers of New Salem, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Cape Cod Ship  
Canal.

A remonstrance of the First Nationalist Club of Boston against the several petitions asking for charters to build a canal from Barnstable Bay to Buzzard's Bay ;

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
agents.

A petition of Henry C. Blood and others that cities and towns may be empowered to appoint agents for the sale of liquor ;

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Lowell, Law-  
rence and  
Haverhill Street  
Railway Com-  
pany.

Petitions of C. H. Bean and others ; William Forbes and others ; and Jerry Hennessey and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Charles W. Morse and others for incorporation as the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company ;

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

A petition of Henry C. Blood and others for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting, and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors and in the election of municipal officers;

Woman  
suffrage.

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To change the name of the Old Men's Home in the city of Worcester;

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

Relating to assistant assessors in the city of Brockton;

Relating to the salary of the late Nicholas A. Apollonio, city registrar of the city of Boston;

Relating to the commitment of lunatics and dipsomaniacs;

Relating to the salary of the late Charles H. Ingalls, county commissioner of the county of Berkshire;

Relating to the conditions under which dams may be erected across navigable streams and outlets of great ponds for flowing cranberry lands;

To exempt certain English bloodhounds from the provisions of the act prohibiting the keeping of bloodhounds;

To authorize the city of Waltham to make additional loans for sewers and drains;

To authorize Fire District No. 1 of Attleborough to increase its water supply; and

Relating to the use of check-lists in town meetings.

An engrossed Resolve in relation to the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts (which originated in the House), was passed, and, with the above-named bills, was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve passed,  
etc.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill to incorporate the Veranus Land Company, was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Gilman, postponed until Monday, March 14.

Veranus Land  
Company.

**Horse racing.**

The House petition of Charles Dana Palmer and others for legislation regulating the entry and starting of horses at places where prizes or premiums are competed for, was considered, the question being on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The Senate concurred therein and the petition was returned to the House for its action.

**Bill.**

The Bill to authorize the city of Taunton to make an additional water loan; and

**Resolve.**

The Resolve to confirm the acts of Edward L. Tead as a justice of the peace;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**The House bills****House bills.**

To establish the salary of the third assistant clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business; and

To establish the salary of the justice of the East Boston district court;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**Fifth assistant clerk of Superior Court, Suffolk County, salary of.**

The House Bill providing for a fifth assistant clerk of the Superior Court, civil session, for the county of Suffolk, was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate, and considered. On motion of Mr. Simpkins, the bill was further amended, by striking out, in section 1, line 5, the word "said," and inserting in place thereof the word "the;" and by inserting after the word "county," the words "of Suffolk." The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

**The House reports****House reports.**

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing for the appointment of boards of police for the several cities of the Commonwealth to have the control and direction of the police force of said cities, and the administration of the laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquor therein;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to repealing sections 33, 37 and 39 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, relating to the taking of fish in the Merrimac River;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Boston Emergency Hospital for an appropriation from the treasury of the Commonwealth, or that the city of Boston may be authorized to make an annual appropriation to said hospital ;

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to compelling cities of 50,000 inhabitants and over to provide free warm baths for the poor during the winter months ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to preventing the building or use of barns, sheds or other buildings commonly used by cattle or other domestic animals in the cities of the Commonwealth within 150 feet of any dwelling-house ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mott, at fifteen minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, March 10, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

New England  
Industrial  
School for Deaf  
Mutes.

By Mr. Meade, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of Thomas Gallaudet and others, a Resolve in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes (Mr. Sawyer, of the House, dissenting) ;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Railroads,  
private cross-  
ings of.

By Mr. Ray, from the committee on Railroads, on an order and sundry petitions, a Bill to require railroad companies to maintain crossings to lands cut off by the railroad, in certain cases ;

Real estate,  
valuation, taxa-  
tion and owner-  
ship of.

By Mr. Stevens, from the committee on Taxation, on an order, a Bill requiring cities and towns to publish lists of real estate, the valuation of the same, the tax levied thereon, and the names of the owners thereof ;

Randolph, town  
of, — additional  
water loan.

By Mr. Wyer, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the water commissioners of said town, a Bill to authorize the town of Randolph to make an additional water loan ; and

Holbrook, town  
of, — additional  
water loan.

By Mr. Carter, from the same committee, on the petition of the water commissioners of said town, a Bill to authorize the town of Holbrook to make an additional water loan ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Boston, city of,  
— parks.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 301 of the Acts of the year 1891, so that the city treasurer of the city of Boston may issue the bonds therein specified for the payment of construction of parks in the city of Boston, and taking lands for the same, to as great amount as shall be required to pay the expenses of such construction, and for all land that may be taken ;

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to vesting the construction of the public parks for the city of Boston in one of the regular departments of said city; the work to be laid out by the board of park commissioners, with the approval of the mayor; said board also to have the power to purchase land for park purposes, with the approval of the mayor; the said parks as completed to be placed in charge of one of the regular departments of said city; and

Boston, city of,  
—parks.

By Mr. Nutter, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the fifty-ninth annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital and the fourteenth annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Insane Asylum at Worcester;

Worcester  
Lunatic  
Hospital and  
Worcester  
Insane Asylum,  
report of  
trustees of.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. McDonald, the House Bill to incorporate the Roxbury Trust Company, was taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

Roxbury Trust  
Company.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to give courts of equity jurisdiction in matters relating to the separate property of married women and to proceedings thereon, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Married  
women,  
property of.

Bills

To authorize the Waltham Hospital to hold additional real and personal estate (on the petition of the same);

Waltham  
Hospital.

Authorizing the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of Marlborough to reduce its capital stock (on the petition of the same); and

Chestnut Hill  
Real Estate  
Association of  
Marlborough.

To incorporate the Tremont Advent-Christian Camp-meeting Association (on the petition of Levi C. McKinsty);

Tremont Ad-  
vent-Christian  
Camp-meeting  
Association.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring seedsmen to guarantee the quality of seeds sold by them, or creating an implied guarantee of good quality in the case of sales of seeds;

Seeds.

Merrimac  
River, fishing  
in.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to repealing so much of sections 33, 37 and 39 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, as relates to the taking of fish in the Merrimac River ;

Aliens, employ-  
ment of, on  
public works.

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to prohibiting the employment of aliens on public works within the Commonwealth ; and

Home for  
Young Women  
and Children in  
Lowell.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of E. T. Rowell for change of name of the Home for Young Women and Children in Lowell, to the Ayer Home for Young Women and Children ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Foreign manu-  
facturing  
corporations.

A Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill to amend an act authorizing foreign manufacturing corporations to hold real estate (introduced on leave in the House), and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Rate of taxation  
in cities.

A Report of the committee on Taxation, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to allowing cities in the Commonwealth to levy taxes under the twelve-dollar limit on the basis of the valuation of the preceding year instead of the average valuation of the three preceding years, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on Cities, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

### *House Petitions.*

Abington, town  
of, — water  
bonds.

The question on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of the water commissioners of the town of Abington for authority to issue additional water bonds, — was, at the request of Mr. Mott, postponed until to-morrow.

Hudson, town  
of, — bonds.

The question on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of William H. Brigham that the town of Hudson may be authorized to issue additional bonds for the purpose of refunding its debt, — was, at the request of Mr. Parkman, postponed until to-morrow.



The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence :—

A petition of the town officers and others of Westborough for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

A petition of William H. C. Lawrence and others for legislation authorizing the town of Nantucket to elect three sewer commissioners, and to extend the payment of its sewer debt to thirty years ;

Nantucket, town of, — sewer commissioners.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Drainage.

A petition of James Murray and others for the regulation of the hours of labor of paper mill employees ;

Paper mill employees, hours of labor of.

To the committee on Labor.

A petition of A. A. Ellsworth and others that no place shall be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors within 400 feet of a building used for stated religious worship ;

Intoxicating liquors, — houses of religious worship.

To the committee on the Liquor Law.

A petition of Frances M. Fall and others that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections ; and

Woman suffrage.

A petition of Dudley P. Bailey and others that women may be allowed to vote for presidential electors and other officers ;

Id.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill to compel the Boston and Maine Railroad Company to furnish suitable depot accommodations at Lynn, was read a second time and considered ; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Meade, postponed until Tuesday, March 22.

Boston & Maine R. R., — depot accommodations in Lynn.

The Bill relating to the pursuing of wild fowl, was read a second time and considered ; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Butler, postponed until to-morrow.

Wild fowl.

**Bill.** The Bill to authorize the town of Revere to establish a grade for cellars, was read a second time and, by a vote of 16 to 7, was ordered to a third reading.

**Bills.** The bills  
To authorize the New England Hospital for Women and Children to hold additional real and personal estate ;  
To authorize the enlargement of the Court House in Dedham, Norfolk County ;

To establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth ;

To authorize the Fitchburg Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and to purchase the Leominster Street Railway, and to change the name of the former corporation ; and

To increase the number of trustees of the Worcester District Methodist Episcopal Church Camp-meeting Association ; and

**Resolve.** The Resolve to provide for the exchange of certain copies of the reprint of early Massachusetts Acts and Resolves ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Senate bill.** The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Taunton to make an additional water loan, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**House resolve.** The House Resolve to confirm the acts of Edward L. Tead as a justice of the peace, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**Senate reports.** The Senate reports  
Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to giving cities and towns the right to tax all telephone and telegraph companies doing business in the Commonwealth, either on their poles, wires or instruments, or all ;

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to so amending the laws relating to taxation as to provide that all telegraph, telephone and electric light companies shall be assessed a tax on all poles erected or maintained by them in any city or town, the same to be paid into the treasury of such city or town ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending the laws in relation to the amount of taxes, so as to provide for the assessment of a tax upon all sleeping cars owned outside of this State and operated or coming within the limits of this Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on State House, House report. no legislation necessary, on the report of the commissioner appointed to invite contributions of portraits of governors of the Commonwealth, to be placed in the State House, was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, at eleven minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P.M.

FRIDAY, March 11, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

George A.  
Barnard.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Resolve in favor of George A. Barnard, ought to pass ; and

Augustus  
Barnes.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the House Resolve in favor of Augustus Barnes, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

Justice of the  
police court of  
Newton, salary  
of.

By Mr. Drury, from the committee on Public Service, on the petition of John C. Kennedy, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Newton ;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Fine Arts  
Commission.

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Thomas Allen and others for the creation of a Fine Arts Commission ;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

*Committee Discharged.*

District attor-  
neys and  
assistant district  
attorneys,  
salaries of.

Mr. Drury, from the committee on Public Service, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to increasing the salaries of the district attorney and assistant district attorneys for Suffolk County ; and the order relative to equalizing the salaries of the district attorneys of the Commonwealth, — and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary ;

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Butler, a petition of a joint special committee of the city of New Bedford that said city may be authorized to issue, for park purposes, bonds to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$100,000 beyond the limit fixed by law ;

New Bedford,  
city of, —  
parks.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Merritt, a petition of G. E. Fuller and others for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
division of  
towns.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Howard, petitions of Mr. Franey and others ; and Maggie O'Brien and others, — severally, for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours a week ;

Women and  
children, hours  
of labor of.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill providing for the construction of additional piers for the support of Rocks Bridge and for repairs on said bridge (on the petition of Richard Newell) ; and

Rocks Bridge,  
piers for sup-  
port of.

Resolves

Providing for certain improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury (on the annual report of the trustees thereof, in part) ; and

State Alms-  
house at  
Tewksbury.

Providing for repairs and improvements at the Lyman School for Boys (on the annual report of the trustees thereof, in part) ;

Lyman School  
for Boys.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Bills

To authorize the city of Somerville to raise money for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation as a town (on the petition of the mayor of said city) ;

Somerville, city  
of, — 50th anni-  
versary.

Relating to rules and orders and regulations of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston (on an order) ; and

Boston, city of,  
— board of  
aldermen.

Northampton,  
city of, — sewer  
scrip.

To enable the city of Northampton to issue additional sewer scrip (on the petitions of J. B. O'Donnell and others) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

### Reports

Salem, city of,  
— wharf at  
Salem Willows.

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Salem for authority to establish a wharf at the Salem Willows ;

Employment for  
the unem-  
ployed.

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Lemon for the adoption of legislative measures looking towards the furnishing of employment to the unemployed ;

Free Public  
Library Com-  
mission, report  
of.

Of the committee on Libraries, no legislation necessary, on the second report of the Free Public Library Commission of Massachusetts ; and

Essex, town of,  
— Great  
Bridge.

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Essex that said town may be relieved from a part of the expense of rebuilding Great Bridge ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

Cities and  
towns, — public  
water supply.

A Report of the committee on Water Supply, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to enacting a general law governing all cities and towns in introducing, extending, regulating and maintaining systems of public water supply, — and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

### *Annual Report.*

Railroad Com-  
missioners,  
report of.

The twenty-third annual report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railroads.

### *House Petitions, etc.*

Hopkinton,  
town of, —  
water bonds.

The question on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of J. A. Woodbury that the town of Hopkinton be authorized to issue additional water bonds to an amount not exceeding \$25,000, — was, at the request of Mr. McDonald, postponed until Monday next.

The question on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of the water commissioners of the town of Andover for authority to issue additional water bonds to an amount not exceeding \$40,000, — was, at the request of Mr. Carter, postponed until Monday next.

Andover, town of, — water bonds.

The following House petitions, etc., were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Remonstrances of John R. Dana, president of the Board of Marine Underwriters, and others ; J. G. Hall & Company and others ; William H. Lincoln and others ; and the American Sugar Refining Company and others, — severally, against taking away the powers of the trustees of the Boston Marine Society in the appointment of pilots and commissioners of pilots of the port of Boston ;

Boston harbor, pilot commissioners for.

Severally to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

Petitions of George Hill and others ; the town officers of Beverly ; the town officers and others of Huntington ; the town officers and others of Agawam ; the town officers and others of Westhampton ; the town officers and others of Heath ; the town officers of Rowe ; and the town officers of Hawley, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Remonstrances of Henry O. Davis and others ; John J. Harlow and others ; N. B. Hallett and others ; and Orville D. Lovell and others, — severally, against any change in the law so as to prohibit the shooting of wild fowl from sunken boats or boxes ;

Wild fowl.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petitions of Albert Rogers and others ; and N. H. Chamberlain and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Atkins Nickerson and others for an appropriation to be expended on the province lands by the trustees of public reservations ;

Public reservations, — appropriation for province lands.

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

Petitions of Patrick O'Rourke and others ; J. L. Charlifoux and others ; T. K. Holbrook and others ; Peter Sheehan, Jr., and others ; John W. Mevis and others ;

Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

John Pierce and others ; and A. M. Huntoon and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Charles W. Morse and others for incorporation as the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company ;

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

*Bill Enacted.*

Bill enacted and laid before the Governor.

A Bill to establish the salary of the third assistant clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted, signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Hudson, town of, — funded debt.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition of William H. Brigham that the town of Hudson may be authorized to issue additional bonds for the purpose of refunding its debt (the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday), — and the same was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Towns.

Abington, town of, — water bonds.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition of the water commissioners of the town of Abington for authority to issue additional water bonds (the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday), — and the same was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Wild fowl.

The Bill relating to the pursuing of wild fowl, was considered and, by a vote of 18 to 4, was ordered to a third reading.

Real estate, valuation, taxation and ownership of.

The Bill requiring cities and towns to publish lists of real estate, the valuation of the same, the tax levied thereon and the names of the owners thereof, was read a second time and considered ; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Merritt, postponed until Tuesday, March 15.

Bills.

The bills  
To authorize the town of Holbrook to make an additional water loan ;



To authorize the town of Randolph to make an additional water loan ;

To require railroad companies to maintain crossings to lands cut off by the railroad, in certain cases ;

To incorporate the Tremont Advent Christian Camp-meeting Association ;

To authorize the Waltham Hospital to hold additional real and personal estate ; and

Authorizing the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of Marlborough to reduce its capital stock ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bills

To authorize the town of Revere to establish a grade for cellars ; and Senate bills.

To authorize the New England Hospital for Women and Children to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

To incorporate the Roxbury Trust Company ;

House bills.

To authorize the enlargement of the Court House in Dedham (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth ;

To authorize the Fitchburg Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and to purchase the Leominster Street Railway, and to change the name of the former corporation ; and

To increase the number of trustees of the Worcester District Methodist Episcopal Church Camp-meeting Association ; and

The House Resolve to provide for the exchange of certain copies of the reprint of early Massachusetts Acts and Resolves ; House resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 301 of the Acts of the year 1891, so that the city treasurer of Senate report.

the city of Boston may issue the bonds therein specified for the payment of construction of parks in the city of Boston, and taking lands for the same, to as great amount as shall be required to pay the expenses of such construction, and for all lands that may be taken ;

**Senate reports.**

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to vesting the construction of the public parks for the city of Boston in one of the regular departments of said city ; the work to be laid out by the board of park commissioners, with the approval of the mayor ; said board also to have the power to purchase land for park purposes, with the approval of the mayor ; the said parks as completed to be placed in charge of one of the regular departments of said city ; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the fifty-ninth annual report of the Trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital, and the fourteenth annual report of the Trustees of the Worcester Insane Asylum at Worcester ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**The House reports**

**House reports.**

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring seedsmen to guarantee the quality of seeds sold by them, or creating an implied guarantee of good quality in the case of sales of seeds ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to repealing so much of sections 33, 37 and 39 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, as relates to the taking of fish in the Merrimack River ;

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to prohibiting the employment of aliens on public works within the Commonwealth ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of E. T. Rowell for change of name of the Home for Young Women and Children in Lowell, to the Ayer Home for Young Women and Children ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, at twenty-one minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, March 14, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by Rev. George S. Ball of Upton, a member of the House of Representatives.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of said city, a Bill relating to the public cemeteries in the city of Woburn; Woburn, city of, — cemeteries.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relating to the overseers of the poor of the city of Boston; and Boston, city of, — overseers of the poor.

By Mr. Champlin, from the committee on Taxation, on the petition of William E. Ford and others, a Bill to exempt from taxation certain real and personal property belonging to the Odd Fellows' Home of Massachusetts (Mr. Hinds, of the House, dissenting); Odd Fellows' Home, taxation of.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on Federal Relations, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to urging the Senators from Massachusetts in Congress to vote for such legislation as will reduce or entirely remove the duties upon raw wool (Mr. Hevey, of the House, dissenting); Raw wool.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Reconsideration.*

On motion of Mr. Simpkins, the vote by which the Senate, on Friday last, agreed to the title of the House Resolve to provide for the exchange of certain copies of the reprint of early Massachusetts acts and resolves, — was reconsidered. Exchange of published copies of certain early Acts and Resolves.

On further motion of the same Senator, the title was then amended so as to read as follows: "Resolve to provide for the exchange of certain published copies of the early acts and resolves of the General Court."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Fernald, —

Judicial system  
of the Common-  
wealth, revision  
of.

*Ordered*, That a joint special committee to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and such members as the House may join, be appointed to sit during the recess of the Legislature, to consider the expediency of revising the judicial system of the Commonwealth, so far as relates to courts inferior to the Superior Court, with a view to greater efficiency and economy in the administration of justice. Said committee shall inquire whether district courts should be further established, whether any now established may be territorially extended or reduced to public advantage, whether any such courts shall be abolished, whether salaries of justices and clerks should be raised, reduced or equalized, whether court officers should be established in any of the inferior courts aforesaid, and how such officers shall be paid, and whether trial justices can be paid by salary.

Said committee shall be furnished a room in the State House, shall have leave to employ a stenographer, shall be furnished with stationery and postage, may send for persons and papers, may hold sessions in such parts of the Commonwealth as they may deem expedient, shall report in print to the next General Court on or before the first Wednesday of February, and shall be paid such compensation as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

Sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Tombs, control  
of.

A Bill relative to the right to the care and control of lots and tombs in public cemeteries in towns, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

State Dairy  
Bureau.

A Bill providing compensation for the members of the State Dairy Bureau (on an order); and

Commissioner  
on Public  
Records of  
Parishes,  
Towns and  
Counties, report  
of.

A Resolve providing for printing 1,500 extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties (on an order);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

## Bills

Beacon Trust  
Company.

To incorporate the Beacon Trust Company (on the petition of William A. Paine and others); and

To permit the taking and sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of September in each year (on the petitions of Walter L. Gilbert and others);

Trout artificially propagated, sale of.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

### Reports

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to making the tickets issued by any railroad corporation good on all trains on said railroad passing between the stations named on said tickets whether stopping or not; and

Railroad tickets, use of, in certain cases.

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Chicopee Water Company that it may be authorized to increase its water supply, take land and issue bonds secured by mortgage;

Chicopee Water Company.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

A Report of the House committee on the Judiciary asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to so amending section 1 of chapter 420 of the Acts of the year 1887, as to provide for the retirement of justices of the Superior Court on the same terms as justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on Public Service, was read; and the Senate concurred in so much thereof as relates to the reference to the committee on Public Service.

Justices of Superior Court, retirement of.

### *Annual Report.*

The eighth annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners, came up; and so much thereof as does not relate to enabling the Civil Service Commissioners to request advice from the Attorney-General, and modifying the punishment of perjury, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Civil Service Commissioners, report of.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended by the House, in section 1, line 2, by striking out the word "ten," and inserting in place thereof the word "eight." Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendment, the bill was, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Governor, salary of.

*House Petition, etc.*

The following House petition, etc., were severally referred, in concurrence :—

Malden, city of,  
— board of fire  
commissioners.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Malden for the establishment of a board of fire commissioners for said city ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.

Webster, town  
of, — fire  
district.

A remonstrance of the selectmen and others of the town of Webster against the petition of H. N. Slater and others for the incorporation of a fire district in said town ;

To the committee on Water Supply.

*House Order Laid Over.*

The question on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the following House order was, at the request of Mr. Butler, postponed until to-morrow, to wit :—

Marion, town  
of, — scallop  
fisheries.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of legislation for the protection of the scallop fisheries of the town of Marion.

*Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit :—

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

Relative to the removal of truants to union or county truant schools ;

To raise the standard of the illuminating power of gas ;  
Relative to the packing and branding of nails ;

To authorize the city of Fitchburg to increase its water supply ;

To supply the town of Orange with water ;

To authorize the city of Brockton to make an additional water loan ;

To authorize the city of Lawrence to maintain a bridge over the north canal of the Essex Company on Broadway in said city ;

To authorize the feoffees of the grammar school in the town of Ipswich to sell and convey certain real estate ;

Relating to the taking of oysters in the town of Yarmouth ; and

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Marlborough.

A Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Farm in Bridgewater (which originated in the House), was passed, and, with the above-named bills, was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve passed,  
etc.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the following House petitions (the consideration of which was postponed from Friday last) and the same were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply, to wit: —

A petition of J. A. Woodbury that the town of Hopkinton be authorized to issue additional water bonds to an amount not exceeding \$25,000; and

Hopkinton,  
town of, —  
water bonds.

A petition of the water commissioners of the town of Andover for authority to issue additional water bonds to an amount not exceeding \$40,000.

Andover, town  
of, — water  
bonds.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill to incorporate the Veranus Land Company, was considered, the question being on ordering the same to a third reading. Mr. Gilman moved that the bill be amended by striking out section 1, and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "*Section 1.* Frank E. Tuttle, James L. Humphrey and Sarah F. Tuttle, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Veranus Land Company. Said corporation shall have the power to purchase all or any part of that tract of land, with buildings thereon, situated in the city of Chicopee, lying between Springfield street and Hampden street, and bounded on the east by Springfield street, on the south by Prospect avenue, on the west by Hampden street and on the north by lands of Daniel J. Curtis, James Sullivan, the Chicopee Water Company and Addie N. Jenks, containing about thirty-seven acres more or less; and shall have all the powers, rights and privileges and be subject to all the duties, limitations and restrictions prescribed in chapters one hundred and five and one hundred and six of the Public Statutes, and in all general laws which now are or hereafter may be in force relating to such corporations."

Veranus Land  
Company.

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until to-morrow.

**The bills**

**Bills.**

To authorize the city of Somerville to raise money for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation as a town ;

Relating to rules and orders and regulations of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston ; and

To enable the city of Northampton to issue additional sewer scrip ; and

**The resolves**

**Resolves.**

In favor of George A. Barnard ; and

In favor of Augustus Barnes ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**The Senate bills**

**Senate bills.**

To authorize the town of Holbrook to make an additional water loan ; and

To authorize the town of Randolph to make an additional water loan ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**Private crossings on railroads.**

The Senate Bill to require railroad companies to maintain crossings to give access to lands cut off by railroads (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time and considered ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Mott, laid on the table.

**The House bills**

**House bills.**

To incorporate the Tremont Advent Christian Camp-meeting Association ;

To authorize the Waltham Hospital to hold additional real and personal estate ; and

Authorizing the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of Marlborough to reduce its capital stock ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**Wild fowl.**

The House Bill relating to the pursuing of wild fowl, was read a third time and considered ; and, pending the ques-



tion on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Coveney, postponed until to-morrow.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Senate report. Administrative Boards and Commissions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas Allen and others for the creation of a Fine Arts Commission, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

### The House reports

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave House reports. to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Salem for authority to establish a wharf at Salem Willows ;

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Lemon for the adoption of legislative measures looking towards the furnishing of employment to the unemployed ;

Of the committee on Libraries, no legislation necessary, on the second report of the Free Public Library Commission of Massachusetts ; and

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Essex that said town may be relieved from a part of the expense of rebuilding Great Bridge ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, at eleven minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, March 15, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

Supreme  
Judicial Court,  
publication of  
decisions of.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill to amend chapter 471 of the Acts of the year 1889, entitled : " An Act to provide for a continuation of the publication of the decisions of the Supreme Judicial Court," ought to pass ;

Referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Supreme  
Judicial Court,  
transfer of cases  
in.  
Perjury, pun-  
ishment for.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House bills

Authorizing the transfer of cases in the Supreme Judicial Court ; and

To provide and define the punishment for perjury, — severally, ought to pass ;

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House bills

Constitutional  
amendments,  
publication of.

Providing for the publication and posting of proposed constitutional amendments ; and

Justices of  
Supreme Judi-  
cial Court,  
salaries of.  
Lyman School  
for Boys.

To establish the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, — severally, ought to pass ;

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the House Resolve providing for repairs and improvements at the Lyman School for Boys, ought to pass ; and

Gypsy moth,  
report on work  
of extermina-  
tion of.

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the House Resolve providing for printing the special report of the State Board of Agriculture on the work of extermination of the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Securities, etc.,  
fraudulent con-  
version of.

By Mr. Thayer, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relating to the fraudulent conversion of money or securities deposited for a specific purpose ; and

By Mr. Butler, from the same committee, on the petition of the same, a Resolve to confirm the acts of Alden E. Viles as a justice of the peace ;

Alden E. Viles.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, or any of them, in all cases requiring investigation by them, to summon witnesses, administer oaths and take testimony, to provide for the fees and travel of witnesses in attendance before said board, and to compel the attendance of such witnesses and the giving of testimony ;

Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, powers of.

By Mr. Butler, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that the official stenographers of the Superior Court for the counties of Essex and Middlesex shall not be required to take a stenographic report of the evidence, or charge of the presiding judge, or any part of the proceedings, except in cases where both parties agree, in writing, that such report shall be taken, or when, upon the application of either party, the presiding judge deems it advisable ; also that such stenographers shall furnish to either party upon request a transcript of such report as may be required, on payment of ten cents per hundred words for each copy furnished ; and

Essex and Middlesex, counties of, official stenographers of Superior Court for.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to making it a punishable offence to falsely assume a college medical degree with intent to defraud ;

College medical degrees, false assumption of.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

### *Committee Discharged.*

Mr. Clark, from the committee on Drainage, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the third annual report of the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures ;

Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, report of.

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

### *Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Howard, petitions of Thomas Ryder and others ; Kate Mullen and others ; and Sarah Higgins and others,

Women and children, hours of labor of.

— severally, for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours a week;  
Severally to the committee on Labor.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Order.*

Mr. Fernald presented the following order and moved a suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon, to wit: —

*Inquests.*

*Ordered*, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 13 of chapter 26 of the Public Statutes, relating to the holding of inquests, etc., so that it shall read as follows: —

*Sect. 13.* The court or trial justice shall, thereupon, within forty-eight hours from the receipt of said report from the medical examiner, carefully examine the same, and shall, within one week from the receipt of the said report order, direct and hold an inquest which may be private, in which case any or all persons, other than those required to be present by the provisions of this chapter, may be excluded from the place where such inquest is held, and said court or trial justice may also direct the witnesses to be kept so that they cannot converse with each other until they have been examined.

The district-attorney, or some other person designated by him, may attend the inquest and examine the witnesses. An inquest shall be held in all cases of death by accident upon a railroad, or upon a passenger elevator or from the operation of any electrical lighting, transit, motor or mechanical appliance or business of a public nature in which electricity is the operating power; and the district-attorney or the Attorney-General may, if he deems it necessary or expedient, direct an inquest to be held in the case of any other casualty from which the death of a person results.

All proceedings and testimony at every inquest shall be taken down stenographically and reduced to type writing: and copies, duly attested under oath by the stenographer and certified by the justice of the court or trial justice holding said inquest, shall be filed in like manner with the reports of autopsies of medical examiners required by section 12 of this act to be filed within three days after the termination of said inquest.

It shall be the duty of the district-attorney in each county to carefully examine the reports filed by medical

examiners, indicating death by violence as specified by section 12, within forty-eight hours of the time they are filed in his office by the medical examiners, which time shall be accurately noted thereon; and to obtain from the proper court or trial justice, in each case in which it is, by this act, made the duty of said court or justice to hold an inquest, the issuance of the requisite and proper orders, summonses, etc., for the holding of said inquest within the required time, and to see that the required reports thereof are duly made, filed and preserved; and no court, trial justice or other officer shall discharge any person charged with murder, manslaughter or other act of violence from which a death has resulted, until an inquest shall have been held into the causes and circumstances attending such death and the report of the justice of the court or trial justice holding said inquest shall have been filed as herein required for at least three days; also of amending section 15 of chapter 26, by adding at the end thereof the following, viz: — and any justice of a court or trial justice to whom the report of a medical examiner showing death by violence shall be made, shall file the report of his review thereof and action thereupon with the records of the Superior Court of the county in which the medical examiner's inquiry was made, within one week from the time said medical examiner's report was filed, except in case of an inquest held upon the findings of said report and the autopsy, in which case the reports of the justice or trial justice upon said inquest required by this act shall be filed, as herein provided, within one week from the closing of said inquest; and said committee is hereby directed to give a public hearing upon the subject-matter of this order.

The Senate refused to suspend the rule and the order was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill in relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts (on the petitions of George H. Buck and others), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

#### Bills

To authorize the town of Arlington to incur indebtedness for the purpose of erecting a high school building (on the petition of the selectmen of said town);

Intoxicating  
liquors, sale of,  
at summer  
resorts.

Arlington,  
town of, — high  
school building.

Bromfield  
Street M. E.  
Church in  
Boston.

To authorize the trustees of the Bromfield Street Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston to convey the real estate of said church (on the petition of the trustees of said church); and

Registers of  
deeds, residence  
of.

To relieve registers of deeds from certain obligations in respect to place of residence (on the petition of Robert W. Lyman);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

#### Reports

Fish weirs.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles R. Tallman and others for legislation to promote the efficiency of fish weirs and the protection of those engaged in the business of taking fish in this way;

Boston, city of,  
— women mem-  
bers of commis-  
sioners of pub-  
lic institutions.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Alice G. Parker that a woman may be appointed as a member of the commissioners of public institutions of the city of Boston;

Danvers Luna-  
tic Hospital,  
report of  
trustees of.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the fourteenth annual report of the trustees of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital; and

Housatonic  
Water  
Company.

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Housatonic Water Company for authority to hold additional real estate, to increase its capital stock and to take an additional water supply;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

#### *Annual Report.*

Board of Gas  
and Electric  
Light Commis-  
sioners, report  
of.

The seventh annual report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Manufactures.

#### *House Petitions, etc.*

The following House petitions, etc., were severally referred, in concurrence:—

Cambridge, city  
of, annexation  
of, to  
Boston.

A remonstrance of the selectmen and others of Weston against the annexation of the city of Cambridge to the city of Boston;

To the committee on Cities.

Constitutional  
amendment,—  
division of  
towns.

Petitions of the town officers of Chesterfield; the town officers of Eastham; the town officers of Pelham; and the

town officers of Merrimac, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petitions of John Swett and others ; John Ellicott and others ; and A. Hughes and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Atkins Nickerson and others for an appropriation to be expended on the province lands by the trustees of public reservations ;

Public reservations, — appropriations for province lands.

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

A petition of Myron J. Ferren for the passage of an act legalizing a vote of the town of Stoneham appropriating a certain sum of money for celebrating an anniversary ;

Stoneham, town of, — anniversary celebration.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Towns.

A petition of the town of Everett that it may be permitted to issue additional water bonds ;

Everett, town of, — water bonds.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

### *Bills Enacted.*

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Relating to the laying out of ways in the town of Brookline ; and

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Authorizing advances to the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the following House order (the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday) and the same was adopted, in concurrence, as follows, to wit : —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of legislation for the protection of the scallop fisheries of the town of Marion.

Marion, town of, — scallop fisheries.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

**Veranus Land Company.**

The House Bill to incorporate the Veranus Land Company, was considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Gilman, to strike out section 1 and insert in place thereof a new section, was considered. The same Senator moved that the amendment be amended by inserting after the words "are hereby made," the words "for the term of twenty years from the passage of this act," and this amendment was rejected. The pending amendment was also rejected and the Senate refused to order the bill to a third reading.

**Real estate, taxation of.**

The Senate Bill requiring cities and towns to publish lists of real estate, the valuation of the same, the tax levied thereon and the names of the owners thereof, was considered, the question being on ordering the same to a third reading. Mr. Parkman moved that the bill be amended in section 1, line 3, by inserting after the word "towns," the words "with the exception of the city of Boston," and this amendment was rejected. By a vote of 9 to 21, the bill was refused a third reading.

**Bills.**

The bills

Relating to the overseers of the poor of the city of Boston ;

Relating to the public cemeteries in the city of Woburn ; and

To incorporate the Beacon Trust Company ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Senate resolve.**

The Senate Resolve in favor of George A. Barnard, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**House bills.**

The House bills

To authorize the city of Somerville to raise money for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation as a town ;

Relating to rules and orders and regulations of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston ; and



To authorize the city of Northampton to issue additional sewer scrip (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**The House reports**

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, House reports. on the order relative to making the tickets issued by any railroad corporation good on all trains on said railroad passing between the stations named on said tickets whether stopping or not ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Chicopee Water Company that it may be authorized to increase its water supply, take lands and issue bonds secured by mortgage ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The House Bill relating to the pursuing of wild fowl, Wild fowl. was considered, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence ; but, without action thereon, —

On motion of Mr. Coveney, at twenty-six minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, March 16, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain of the House of Representatives.

*Reports of Committees.*

State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Resolve providing for certain improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, ought to pass ;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Special police officers, appointment of.

By Mr. Howard, from the committee on Labor, on two orders, a Bill prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth, as special police officers ; and

Hudson, town of, — refunding debt.

By Mr. Thayer, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of William H. Brigham, a Bill to authorize the town of Hudson to refund a portion of its debt ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Fire districts, area of.

By Mr. Thayer, from the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 40 of chapter 35 of the Public Statutes, so as to limit the area of fire districts ; and

Police officers in towns, tenure of office of.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 85 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relating to towns and town officers, so as to extend and fix the term of office of police officers of the several towns of the Commonwealth, and of providing that all such police officers shall hold office during good behavior and until removed by the board of selectmen of their respective towns, after hearing, for such cause as the board in their opinion deem sufficient ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Petitions, etc.*

The following petitions, etc., were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Simpkins, a remonstrance of Luther Fisk and others against any change in the pilot laws ; Pilot laws, change of.

To the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

By Mr. Dame, a petition of the selectmen of the town of West Newbury ; and by Mr. Kimball, a petition of the selectmen of the town of Hatfield, — severally, for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ; Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Mott, a remonstrance of the selectmen of the town of Easton against the petition of the city of Brockton for authority to take land in said town for sewerage purposes ; Easton, town of, — land for sewerage purposes.

To the committee on Drainage.

By Mr. Butler, a petition of James F. Monahan and others for legislation prohibiting the granting of licenses to set and maintain weirs, pounds, traps or other stationary apparatus destructive to the fisheries of Buzzard's Bay ; Buzzard's Bay, fisheries of.

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Howard, petitions of Harry Smith and others ; Catherine Barlow and others ; William H. James and others ; and John Moffitt and others, — severally, for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours a week ; Women and children, hours of labor of.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Merritt, a petition of Leland S. Maynard and others that the present system of contracting for printing for the State be abolished and a State printing house established ; State Printing House.

To the committee on Printing.

By Mr. Butler, a petition of Hosea M. Knowlton and others in aid of the petition of Thomas J. Cobb, clerk of the third district court of Bristol, that his salary may be Clerk of third district court of Bristol, salary of.

established at a sum equal to three-fourths of the annual salary of the justice of said court ;

To the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Simpkins, —

Harbor and  
Land Commis-  
sioners, Board  
of, — expense  
of printing  
certain  
evidence.

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands consider the expediency of providing that the Commonwealth shall pay the expense incurred in the employment of a stenographer, and of printing the evidence, in the hearing before the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, relating to the building of a bridge between Boston and East Boston, said board having no appropriation therefor.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Middlesex and  
Suffolk, coun-  
ties of, — equity  
cases in  
Superior  
Courts.

A Bill providing for a separate docket for equity cases in the Superior Court in the counties of Middlesex and Suffolk, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills

Easthampton,  
town of, —  
refunding of  
money paid for  
liquor license.

To authorize the town of Easthampton to refund a portion of certain moneys paid for a liquor license (on the petition of the selectmen of said town) ;

Pilgrim Congre-  
gational Church  
of Duxbury.

To authorize the Pilgrim Congregational Church of Duxbury to convey its property (on the petition of the same) ;

Land, taking of,  
for taxes.

To amend the law relative to the taking of land for taxes so as to dispense with the filing of certain papers connected with such taking (introduced on leave in the House) ;

Electricity, use  
of, on steam  
railroads.

Authorizing steam railroads to use electricity as a motive power (on an order) ; and

Insurance com-  
panies, taxes  
upon certain.

Relating to taxes upon certain accident, fidelity and guaranty insurance companies (on an order) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Reports

Compulsory  
school age.

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate :

On the order relative to raising the compulsory school age to fifteen or sixteen years, and of providing that such

shall be the compulsory school age in all towns and cities whether opportunity is given for industrial education or not; and

On the order relative to providing that all teachers in public schools in cities and towns shall be residents of the city or town in which they teach; Public school teachers, residence of.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the constables of the municipal court of the South Boston district in the city of Boston that their salaries may be increased; and Constables of municipal court of South Boston, salaries of.

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of C. G. Davis and others for the division of the town of Templeton; Templeton, town of, division of.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence:—

A petition of the selectmen, assessors and others of the town of Mount Washington, in aid of the petition of H. F. Keith and others for the incorporation of the South Berkshire Mountain Club; South Berkshire Mountain Club.

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petitions of Harold C. Ernst and others; A. W. Beard and others; and Stephen M. Crosby and other members of the Boston Art Club,—severally, for legislation for the establishment of a Metropolitan Park Commission; Metropolitan Park Commission.

Severally to the joint special committee on Public reservations.

A petition of M. P. Lowe and others that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections; Woman suffrage.

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

### *Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To authorize the Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate; Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Newton; and

Bill enacted and  
laid before the  
Governor.

To authorize the city of Somerville to provide for the payment of its funded debt by annual payments of such amounts as will in the aggregate extinguish the same within the time limited by law.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed, and, with the above-named bills, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:—

Resolves  
passed, etc.

In favor of John Charles; and  
To confirm the acts of Edward L. Tead as a justice of the peace.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Wild fowl.

The unfinished business of yesterday, i. e., the House Bill relating to the pursuing of wild fowl, was further considered, and, by a vote of 18 to 6, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Governor,  
salary of.

The Senate concurred in the adoption of the House amendment to the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth, striking out, in section 1, line 2, the word "ten," and inserting in place thereof the word "eight."

Trout arti-  
ficially raised,  
sale of.

The Bill to permit the taking and sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of September in each year, was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Parkman moved that it be amended in section 3, by adding at the end thereof the following words: "Any such trout offered for consumption in any hotel, restaurant or lunch counter from the fifteenth day of January to the first day of September in each year shall be named on the bill of fare of such hotel, restaurant or lunch counter as 'trout artificially cultivated.'" Pending this amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Nutter, postponed until to-morrow, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

The bills

Bills.

To exempt from taxation certain real and personal property belonging to the Odd Fellows' Home of Massachusetts;

Relating to the fraudulent conversion of money or securities deposited for a specific purpose ;

To provide and define the punishment for perjury ;

Authorizing the transfer of cases in the Supreme Judicial Court ;

To establish the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court ;

Providing for the publication and posting of proposed constitutional amendments ;

To authorize the town of Arlington to incur indebtedness for the purpose of erecting a high school building ;

To authorize the trustees of the Bromfield Street Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston to convey the real estate of said church ; and

To relieve registers of deeds from certain obligations in respect to place of residence ; and

The resolves

To confirm the acts of Alden E. Viles as a justice of the peace ; and Resolves.

Providing for repairs and improvements at the Lyman School for Boys ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relating to the overseers of the poor of the city of Boston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Resolve in favor of Augustus Barnes, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. House resolve.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, or any of them, in all cases requiring investigation by them, to summon witnesses, administer oaths and take testimony, to provide for the fees and travel of witnesses in attendance before said board, and to compel the attendance of such witnesses and the giving of testimony ; Senate reports.

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that the official stenographers of the Superior Court for the counties of

Essex and Middlesex shall not be required to take a stenographic report of the evidence, or charge of the presiding judge, or any part of the proceedings, except in cases where both parties agree, in writing, that such report shall be taken, or when, upon the application of either party, the presiding judge deems it advisable; also that such stenographers shall furnish to either party upon request a transcript of such report as may be required, on payment of ten cents per hundred words for each copy furnished; and

**Senate report.**

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to making it a punishable offence to falsely assume a college medical degree with intent to defraud;

Were severally accepted.

#### **The House reports**

**House reports.**

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles R. Tallman and others for legislation to promote the efficiency of fish weirs and the protection of those engaged in the business of taking fish in this way;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the fourteenth annual report of the trustees of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Housatonic Water Company for authority to hold additional real estate, to increase its capital stock and to take an additional water supply;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at twenty-two minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet tomorrow at two o'clock P.M.



THURSDAY, March 17, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Nutter, from the committee on Education, on the petition of F. H. Gillett, a Bill to authorize the School for Christian Workers to admit women as students ;

School for  
Christian  
Workers.

By Mr. Shaw, from the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of Charles Goss and others, a Bill to incorporate the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company ; and

Haverhill and  
Amesbury  
Street Railway  
Company.

By Mr. Nichols, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the water commissioners of said town, a Bill to authorize the town of Clinton to increase its water supply and to incur indebtedness therefor ;

Clinton, town  
of, — water  
supply.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on Federal Relations, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the subject, a Resolve in addition to a resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition ;

World's  
Columbian  
Exposition, ap-  
propriation for.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

By Mr. Nutter, from the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the Holyoke Savings Bank and others for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, relating to savings banks, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly and for further amendments in respect to division of net profits ;

Savings banks,  
— interest on  
deposits.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Petition.*

Mr. Coveney presented a petition of John W. Coveney that the cities of Boston and Cambridge may be united, which was referred to the committee on Cities.

Boston and  
Cambridge,  
cities of.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Gilman, —

**Mercantile  
Affairs, com-  
mittee on.**

*Ordered*, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of their duties.

Sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Bills

**Anniversary  
celebrations.**

Authorizing cities and towns to appropriate money for anniversary celebrations (being a new draft of the Senate Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to raise money for the celebration of the 250th anniversary of its incorporation as a town) ; and

**Cremation.**

Authorizing the formation of corporations for advocating cremation and for the cremating of the bodies of their deceased members ;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

## Bills

**Justice of  
fourth district  
court of Eastern  
Middlesex,  
salary of.**

To establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex (on the petition of Edward F. Johnson) ;

**Treasurer of  
Bristol County.**

To provide clerical assistance for the treasurer of the county of Bristol (on the petition of George F. Pratt) ; and

**Justice of  
police court of  
Williamstown,  
salary of.**

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown (on the petition of Keyes Danforth) ; and  
Resolves

**George F.  
Hubbard.**

In favor of George F. Hubbard (on the petition of H. C. Hall) ;

**George H. Ross.**

In favor of George H. Ross (on the petition of the same) ;

**Michael J.  
Fleming.**

In favor of Michael J. Fleming (on the petition of the same) ;

**William C.  
Merry.**

In favor of William C. Merry (on the petition of the same) ;

**William Burt.**

In favor of William Burt (on the petition of the same) ;

**Catherine R.  
Doherty.**

In favor of Catherine R. Doherty (on the petition of John F. Sundberg) ; and

**John Brickley.**

In favor of John Brickley (on the petition of the same) ;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

A Report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Z. L. Bicknell that Ellen Toomey may be made eligible to receive State aid, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Ellen Toomey.

A Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the report of the Topographical Survey Commission, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Topographical  
Survey Com-  
mission, report  
of.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on House Resolutions concerning portraits of former governors of the Commonwealth, and the resolutions were read, and, in accordance with the provisions of Senate Rule No. 24, were placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Governors,  
portraits of.

The Senate Bill to establish the number of officers in attendance upon the Superior and Supreme Judicial Courts for the county of Middlesex, to define their duties and to establish their salaries, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out, in section 1, line 2, the word "shall," and inserting in place thereof the word "may." Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendment, it was, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Middlesex,  
county of,—  
officers in at-  
tendance upon  
Superior and  
Supreme Judi-  
cial Courts.

### *House Petitions, etc.*

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of the selectmen of the town of Gardner that the proceedings of the annual meeting of said town may be legalized; and the same was returned to the House for its action.

Gardner, town  
of,—town  
meeting.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of W. H. Powers, by request of the Hazelwood and Clarendon Hill Citizens' Association, for legislation providing that persons within the voting rail at the time of closing the polls may be permitted to complete their act of voting,—and the same was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

Elections,—  
closing of polls.

The following House petitions, etc., were severally referred, in concurrence:—

**Liens.**

A petition of F. H. Goddard and others for an amendment of the lien law so that a lien may attach for materials as well as for labor;

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

**Constitutional amendment,—division of towns.**

Petitions of Sherman Nelson and others; the town officers of Needham; and the town officers of Westminster,—severally, for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns;

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

**Easton, town of,—land for sewerage purposes.**

A remonstrance of the town of Easton against any legislation granting to the city of Brockton authority to take land in the town of Easton for sewerage purposes;

To the committee on Drainage.

**Employees of paper mills, hours of labor of.**

A petition of James T. Porter and others for the regulation of the hours of labor of paper mill employees;

To the committee on Labor.

**Woman suffrage.**

A petition of Martha Sewall Curtis and others that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections;

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

### *Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

**Bill enacted and laid before the Governor.**

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Wildey Savings Bank in the city of Boston (which originated in the Senate), was passed to be enacted, signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit:—

**Bills enacted.**

In relation to the employment of women and minors for the purpose of manufacturing;

To authorize the Worcester Polytechnic Institute to hold additional real and personal estate;

To incorporate the Cambridge Firemen's Relief Association;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the courts for the county of Barnstable;

Defining the liability of the towns of Cottage City and Tisbury for the maintenance of Lagoon Bridge and for damages resulting from defects therein; also determining the duties of the county commissioners in respect to the draw of said bridge; and

Authorizing the Shawmut Congregational Society of Boston to sell its property.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed, to wit:—

- In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College; Resolves passed.
- In favor of Sidney Herrick;
- In favor of Mary Powers;
- In favor of Shubael C. Norton;
- In favor of Luther F. Chamberlain;
- In favor of George H. Gould;
- In favor of Samuel H. Damon;
- In favor of John Ord; and

To provide for the sale of land at the Framingham Normal School.

#### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill to permit the taking and sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of September in each year, was considered, the main question being on ordering the same to a third reading. Pending this question, and pending the amendment moved by Mr. Parkman, the bill was, on motion of Mr. McDonald, recommitted to the committee on Fisheries and Game. Trout artificially raised, sale of.

The Senate Report of the committee on Federal Relations, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to urging the Senators from Massachusetts in Congress to vote for such legislation as will reduce or entirely remove the duties upon raw wool, was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McNary, postponed until Tuesday, March 22, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day. Raw wool.

The House Bill to incorporate the Beacon Trust Company, was read a third time and considered. On motion of Mr. Simpkins, the bill was amended, in section 1, by Beacon Trust Company.

striking out the name "W. H. Treworgy," and inserting in place thereof the name "William H. Treworgy," and by striking out the name "E. P. Sanderson," and inserting in place thereof the name "Edward P. Sanderson." The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Special police  
officers, ap-  
pointment of.

The Bill prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth, as special police officers, was read a second time and considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Parkman, postponed until Tuesday, March 22, to be placed second in the Orders of the Day.

Bills.

The bills

To authorize the town of Hudson to refund a portion of its debt;

To authorize the town of Easthampton to refund a portion of certain moneys paid for a liquor license;

To authorize the Pilgrim Congregational Church of Duxbury to convey its property;

To amend the law relative to the taking of land for taxes so as to dispense with the filing of certain papers connected with such taking;

Authorizing steam railroads to use electricity as a motive power; and

Relating to taxes upon certain accident, fidelity and guaranty insurance companies; and

The resolves

Resolves.

Providing for printing the special report of the State Board of Agriculture on the work of extermination of the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth; and

Providing for certain improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bills

Senate bills.

Relating to the public cemeteries in the city of Woburn;  
To exempt from taxation certain real and personal property belonging to the Odd Fellows' Home of Massachusetts; and

Relating to the fraudulent conversion of money or securities deposited for a specific purpose; and

The Senate Resolve to confirm the acts of Alden E. Viles as a justice of the peace ; Senate resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill authorizing the transfer of cases in the Supreme Judicial Court, was read a third time and considered ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Fernald, postponed until Tuesday, March 22. Supreme Judicial Court, transfer of cases in.

The House bills

To provide and define the punishment for perjury ; House bills.

To establish the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court ;

Providing for the publication and posting of proposed constitutional amendments ;

To authorize the town of Arlington to incur indebtedness for the purpose of erecting a high school building ;

To authorize the trustees of the Bromfield Street Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston to sell and convey the real estate of said church (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

Relating to the residence of registers of deeds and to the place of keeping books, records, deeds and papers belonging to their offices (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

The House Resolve providing for repairs and improvements at the Lyman School for Boys ; House resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 40 of chapter 35 of the Public Statutes, so as to limit the area of fire districts ; and Senate reports.

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 85 of chapter 27 of the Public Statutes, relating to towns and town officers, so as to extend and fix the term of office of police officers of the several towns of the Commonwealth, and of providing that all such police officers shall hold office

during good behavior and until removed by the board of selectmen of their respective towns, after hearing, for such cause as the board in their opinion deem sufficient ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

#### The House reports

##### House reports.

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that all teachers in public schools in cities and towns shall be residents of the city or town in which they teach ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Alice G. Parker, that a woman may be appointed as a member of the commissioners of public institutions for the city of Boston ;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the constables of the municipal court of the South Boston district in the city of Boston that their salaries may be increased ; and

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of C. G. Davis and others for the division of the town of Templeton ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

##### Compulsory school age.

The House Report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to raising the compulsory school age to fifteen or sixteen years, and of providing that such shall be the compulsory school age in all towns and cities whether opportunity is given for industrial education or not, was considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, in concurrence, it was, on motion of Mr. McEttrick, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at eleven minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P.M.



FRIDAY, March 18, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Carberry, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Keyes Danforth, a Bill to incorporate the Williamstown Savings Bank; Williamstown Savings Bank.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

By Mr. Dame, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on an order, a Bill to increase the bounty for the destruction of seals; and Seals, destruction of, — bounty.

By Mr. Drury, from the committee on Public Service, on the petitions of John L. Ambrose and William C. Dillingham, a Bill to establish the salaries of the first and second assistant clerks of the courts of the county of Middlesex; Clerks of courts for Middlesex County, salaries of.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for legislation authorizing the regulation by ordinance of the use of bituminous coal in said city; and Boston, city of, — use of bituminous coal.

By Mr. Reade of Suffolk, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, reference to the next General Court, on the report of a committee of experts of the Massachusetts Medical Society relative to the establishment by the Commonwealth of an institution for epileptics, said institution to be in the form of cottage hospitals; State institution for epileptics.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

*Report.*

A report of the commission appointed to investigate the subject of manual training and industrial education, was received and, on motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed. Manual training and industrial education.]

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
division of  
towns.

By Mr. McDonald, a petition of Charles L. Claflin and others ; and by Mr. Smith, a petition of W. A. Taylor and others, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Women and  
children, hours  
of labor of.

By Mr. Howard, a petition of Ellen Ralph and others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours a week ;

To the committee on Labor.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Embalming  
fluid, use of.

A Bill regulating the use of embalming fluid in cases where persons are supposed to have come to their death by violence, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Civil Service  
Commissioners,  
rooms for use  
of.

A Resolve providing rooms for the use of the Civil Service Commissioners (introduced on leave in the Senate), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

## Bills

Winthrop,  
town of, —  
rates of  
pilotage.

To regulate the rates of pilotage for landing places in the town of Winthrop (on the petition of Lucius Floyd and others) ;

Buzzard's Bay,  
fishing in.

To authorize the taking of menhaden and alewives for bait in the waters of Buzzard's Bay (on an order and the petitions of Lilburne Hiller and others) ; and

Phillipston,  
town of, an-  
nexation of part  
of, to  
Templeton.

To annex a part of the town of Phillipston to the town of Templeton (on the petitions of Isaac Bourn and others) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

## Reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary :

Province Laws,  
preparation of.

On the report of the commissioners for completing the preparation and publication of the Province Laws ; and

On the report of the deputy sealer of weights and measures ;

Deputy sealer of weights and measures, report of.  
Granite Loan and Trust Company.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of Ralph Warner and others for incorporation as the Granite Loan and Trust Company ;

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate :

On the order relative to increasing the salary of the additional clerk in the office of the Adjutant-General ;

Adjutant-General, clerk of.

On the order relative to increasing the salaries of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ; and

Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

On the order relative to increasing the salaries of women inspectors of factories in the Commonwealth from \$1,000 per year, the sum now paid, to \$1,200 per year ; and

Women inspectors, salaries of.

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, inexpedient to legislate :

On the order relative to providing that the county or State shall assist towns whose valuations do not exceed \$300,000 in the support of their highways ; and

Towns, highways in.

On the order relative to giving assistance to towns of less valuation than \$600,000 in making permanent improvements on the principal highways in such towns ;

Id.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

A petition of the town officers of Orleans and others for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

A petition of a committee of the members of Springfield Typographical Union, No. 216, for the establishment of a State printing office ;

State printing office.

To the committee on Printing.

### *House Order.*

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

*Ordered*, That the joint special committee on Public Reservations be authorized to visit such places within the

Public Reservations, joint

special com-  
mittee on.

Commonwealth as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

*Bills and Resolves Laid Before the Governor.*

The following engrossed bills which were, yesterday, passed to be enacted, were severally signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Enacted bills  
laid before the  
Governor.

In relation to the employment of women and minors for the purpose of manufacturing ;

To authorize the Worcester Polytechnic Institute to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To incorporate the Cambridge Firemen's Relief Association ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the courts for the county of Barnstable ;

Defining the liability of the towns of Cottage City and Tisbury for the maintenance of Lagoon Bridge and for damages resulting from defects therein ; also determining the duties of the county commissioners in respect to the draw of said bridge ; and

Authorizing the Shawmut Congregational Society of Boston to sell its property.

The following engrossed resolves which were, yesterday, passed, were severally signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Resolves laid  
before the  
the Governor.

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ;

In favor of Sidney Herrick ;

In favor of Mary Powers ;

In favor of Shubael C. Norton ;

In favor of Luther F. Chamberlain ;

In favor of George H. Gould ;

In favor of Samuel H. Damon ;

In favor of John Ord ; and

To provide for the sale of land at the Framingham Normal School.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

Relating to the Marlborough Hospital ;

To dissolve certain corporations ;

To authorize the Newburyport Howard Benevolent Society to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To authorize the city of Worcester to make an additional water loan ;

To authorize the town of Plymouth to discontinue Town Dock in said town as a public landing place ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the East Boston district court ;

To authorize the Fitchburg Street Railway Company to extend its tracks and to purchase the Leominster Street Railway, and to change the name of the former corporation ;

To increase the number of trustees of the Worcester District Methodist Episcopal Church Camp-meeting Association ;

To authorize the enlargement of the court house in Dedham ;

To authorize the Quincy Electric Freight Railway Company to change a portion of the location of its railway ;

Authorizing the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of Marlborough to reduce its capital stock ;

Providing for a fifth assistant clerk of the Superior Court, civil session, for the county of Suffolk ;

To authorize the Waltham Hospital to hold additional real and personal estate ; and

To incorporate the Tremont Advent-Christian Camp-meeting Association.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed, and, with the above-named bills, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

In favor of the widow of the late Hamilton B. Staples ; Resolves passed, etc.  
and

To provide for the exchange of certain published copies of the early Acts and Resolves of the General Court.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate concurred in the adoption of the House amendment to the Senate Bill to establish the number of officers in attendance upon the Superior and Supreme Judicial Courts for the county of Middlesex, to define Middlesex, county of, — officers in attendance upon Superior and Supreme Judicial Courts.

their duties and to establish their salaries, — striking out, in section 1, line 2, the word “shall,” and inserting in place thereof the word “may.”

Governors,  
portraits of.

The House Resolutions concerning portraits of former governors of the Commonwealth, were adopted, in concurrence. The resolutions were as follows :—

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Commonwealth be given to Shepherd Brooks, Francis Brooks and Peter C. Brooks, for their gift to the State of a portrait of Governor John Brooks ;

To John Chandler Bancroft Davis of New York, George Henry Davis and Horace Davis of California, Andrew McFarland Davis of Massachusetts and John Davis of Washington, District of Columbia, for their gift to the State of a portrait of Governor John Davis ;

And to Alexander H. Rice, formerly Governor of the Commonwealth, for his gift to the State of a portrait of himself ;

And that said portraits, with other portraits of former Governors which may hereafter be received, be hung in such places in the State House as the Governor may direct.

The bills

Bills.

To authorize the town of Clinton to increase its water supply and to incur indebtedness therefor ;

To authorize the School for Christian Workers to admit women as students ; and

To incorporate the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to authorize the town of Hudson to refund a portion of its debt, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Easthampton,  
town of, —  
refunding of  
portion of  
liquor license  
fee.

The House Bill to authorize the town of Easthampton to refund a portion of certain moneys paid for a liquor license, was read a third time and considered. Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Gilman moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until Monday next, and this motion was lost by a vote of 13 to 14.

Subsequently, Mr. Parkman rose to a point of order, Point of order. which, being stated, was that a quorum was not present. The Chair, having, by count, ascertained that twenty-three members were present, declared that the point of order was not well taken.

The question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, was then determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Thayer, John R. — 15.

NAYS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry — 5.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Meade, William E.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.

Messrs. Provin, William  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 19.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence (a quorum being present).

The House bills

To authorize the Pilgrim Congregational Church of House bills. Duxbury to convey its property;

Relative to the taking of land for taxes so as to dispense with the filing of certain papers connected with such taking (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Authorizing steam railroads to use electricity as a motive power; and

The House Resolve providing for certain improve- House resolve. ments at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Certain insur-  
ance companies,  
taxation of.

The House Bill relating to taxes upon certain accident, fidelity and guaranty insurance companies, was read a third time, and considered ; and, pending the question on passing the same to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Thayer, postponed until Monday next.

Gypsy moth.

The House Resolve providing for printing the special report of the State Board of Agriculture on the work of extermination of the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth, was read a third time and considered.

Point of order.

Mr. Nutter rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that a quorum was not present. The Chair, having, by count, ascertained that twenty-one members were present, declared that the point of order was not well taken.

Pending the question on passing the resolve to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Fernald, postponed until Tuesday, March 22.

Senate report.

The Senate Report of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Holyoke Savings Bank and others for an amendment of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, relating to savings banks, so as to allow deposits to be placed on interest monthly and for further amendments in respect to division of net profits, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

House report.

The House Report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Z. L. Bicknell that Ellen Toomey may be made eligible to receive State aid, was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, at ten minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.



MONDAY, March 21, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. McDonald, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of William S. Frost and another, a Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a truant school;

Middlesex,  
county of, —  
truant school.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

By Mr. McDonald, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the House bills

Hampshire,  
county of, — in-  
dexing files and  
records in office  
of register of  
probate.

Extending the time for arranging and indexing the files and records in the office of the register of probate for the county of Hampshire;

Relating to special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors;

Bankrupt and  
insolvent  
debtors, judg-  
ments against.

Relative to the revocation of a will on the marriage of the testator; and

Wills, revoca-  
tion of, on mar-  
riage of  
testators.

Giving probate courts concurrent jurisdiction with the Supreme Judicial Court in equity in relation to trusts, — severally, ought to pass;

Probate courts,  
— concurrent  
jurisdiction  
with Supreme  
Judicial Courts  
in certain cases.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill providing for the construction of additional piers for the support of Rocks Bridge and for repairs on said bridge; and

Rocks Bridge,  
piers for sup-  
port of.

The House resolves

Providing for printing 1,500 extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties;

Commissioner  
on Public  
Records of  
Parishes, etc.

In favor of William C. Merry;

William C.  
Merry.

In favor of George H. Ross; and

George H.  
Ross.

In favor of George F. Hubbard, — severally, ought to pass; and

George F.  
Hubbard.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the House resolves

Providing rooms for the use of the Civil Service Commissioners;

Civil Service  
Commissioners,  
rooms for use  
of.

John Brickley.

In favor of John Brickley ;

Catherine R.  
Doherty.

In favor of Catherine R. Doherty ;

Michael J.

In favor of Michael J. Fleming ; and

Fleming.

William Burt.

In favor of William Burt, — severally, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

New Bedford,  
city of, — parks.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on the petitions of the mayor of said city and others, a Bill to authorize the city of New Bedford to borrow money for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Report.*

Real estate, —  
system of re-  
cording and  
indexing deeds,  
mortgages,  
titles, etc.

A report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto, was received ; and, on motion of Mr. Fernald, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

*Motion to Reconsider.*

Easthampton,  
town of, —  
refund of  
portion of a  
liquor license  
fee.

Mr. Gilman moved that the vote by which the Senate, on Friday last, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the House Bill to authorize the town of Easthampton to refund a portion of certain moneys paid for a liquor license, — be reconsidered, and this motion was lost by a vote of 11 to 17.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

Register of  
deeds and clerks  
of courts of the  
several counties,  
offices of.

By Mr. Fernald, a petition of Arthur A. Averill and others for the passage of the bill relating to the office of the register of deeds of the several counties, and for legislation to regulate the office of clerk of courts in the several counties ;

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Women and  
children, hours  
of labor of.

By Mr. Howard, a petition of John Ingolsby and others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-four hours a week ;

To the committee on Labor.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Smith, —

*Ordered*, That the time within which joint committees are required to make reports upon matters referred to them, in accordance with the provisions of joint rule 10, be extended to Wednesday, April 6.

Joint committees, time for reports of.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To establish the salary of the first clerk of the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture (on the petition of Frederick H. Fowler and others);

First clerk of Secretary of State Board of Agriculture, salary of.

To establish the salary of the chief of the district police (on the petition of Rufus R. Wade); and

Chief of district police, salary of.

To authorize the preparation for the State Library of an index of current events (on the annual report of the State Librarian, and on an order); and

Current events, index of, for State Library.

A Resolve granting county taxes;

County taxes.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Bills

Authorizing the city of Lowell to take additional land for the armory lot (on the petition of the mayor of said city);

Lowell, city of, —armory.

To authorize the city of Cambridge to make an additional water loan (on the petition of the mayor of said city); and

Cambridge, city of, —water loan.

To authorize the Plymouth and Middleborough Railroad Company to lease its road and issue bonds (on the petition of the same);

Plymouth and Middleborough Railroad Company.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

A Report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of F. H. Gillett for the passage of an act to enable the International Young Men's Association Training School to confer appropriate degrees, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

International Young Men's Association Training School.

The petition of Horace S. Crowell for authority to build and maintain a bridge or way in the town of Fal-

Falmouth, town of.

mouth from the main land to Devil's Foot Island, and from said island to Ram Island (on which the committee on Harbors and Public Lands reported in the House, recommending the reference thereof to the next General Court, for want of proper notice) came up, recommitted, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct; and the Senate concurred therein.

*Message from the Governor.*

Message from  
the Governor,—  
Reformatory  
Prison for  
Women.

A message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a special report made by the Commissioners of Prisons, concerning the disposal of sewage from the Reformatory Prison for Women at Sherborn and the expense of maintaining and operating a system of sewage disposal, as authorized by chapter 211 of the Acts of the year 1890, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Prisons.

Joint special  
committee,—  
revision of the  
judicial system  
of the Common-  
wealth.

The Senate order, — “ That a joint special committee, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and such members as the House may join, be appointed to sit during the recess of the Legislature to consider the expediency of revising the judicial system of the Commonwealth, so far as relates to courts inferior to the Superior Court with a view to greater efficiency and economy in the administration of justice. Said committee shall inquire whether district courts should be further established, whether any now established may be territorially extended or reduced to public advantage, whether any such courts shall be abolished, whether salaries of justices and clerks should be raised, reduced or equalized, whether court officers should be established in any of the inferior courts aforesaid, and how such officers shall be paid, and whether trial justices can be paid by salary.

“ Said committee shall be furnished a room in the State House, shall have leave to employ a stenographer, shall be furnished with stationery and postage, may send for persons and papers, may hold sessions in such parts of the Commonwealth as they may deem expedient, shall report in print to the next General Court on or before the first Wednesday of February, and shall be paid such compen-

sation as shall be determined by the Governor and Council," — came up, adopted, in concurrence, with an amendment, inserting after the words "Superior Court," the words "and courts of Probate and Insolvency." On motion of Mr. Fernald, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended, and the amendment was forthwith considered and adopted, in concurrence.

*House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

A petition of the president of the Naumkeag National Bank of Salem and others in aid of the order relative to abolishing days of grace ;

Days of grace.

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

A petition of H. J. Bliss and others for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

A petition of the South Boston Citizens' Association in aid of the constitutional amendment recommended by the Rapid Transit Commission, in respect to the taking of private property by right of eminent domain for public improvements ;

Constitutional amendment, — taking of land for public improvement.

To the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

*Bills Enacted.*

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

To authorize the city of Taunton to make an additional water loan ; and

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To incorporate the Roxbury Trust Company.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill to authorize the taking of menhaden and alewives for bait in the waters of Buzzard's Bay, was read a second time and considered ; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Butler, postponed until Thursday, March 31.

Buzzard's Bay, fisheries in.

**The bills**  
**Bills.** To incorporate the Williamstown Savings Bank ; and  
 To regulate the rates of pilotage for landing places in  
 the town of Winthrop ;  
 Were severally read a second time and ordered to a  
 third reading.

Phillipston,  
 town of, annexa-  
 tion of part of,  
 to Templeton.

The Bill to annex a part of the town of Phillipston to  
 the town of Templeton, was read a second time and con-  
 sidered ; and the question on ordering the bill to a third  
 reading was determined as follows, to wit : —

**YEAS.**

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.	Messrs. McNary, William S.
Butler, William M.	Mott, Edward
Carberry, William H.	Nutter, Isaac N.
Dame, Luther	Provin, William
Drury, John E.	Read, John (Middlesex)
Eaton, William N.	Reade, John (Suffolk)
Fernald, B. Marvin	Shaw, Edward P.
Gilman, Gorham D.	Thayer, John R.
McEtrick, Michael J.	West, William H. — 18.

**NAYS.**

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.	Messrs. Parkman, Henry
Clark, Wilder P.	Raymond, Francis H.
Coveney, John W.	Simpkins, John
Howard, Robert	Smith, Sidney P.
Meade, William E.	Southwick, B. Frank
Nichols, George K.	Wyer, Edwin F. — 12.

**ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.**

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.	Messrs. McDonald, James W.
Champlin, Arthur B.	Merritt, Christopher C.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Ray, William F.
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Stevens, Eben S — 9.
Kimball, Henry A.	

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Clinton, town  
 of, — water  
 supply.

The Senate Bill to authorize the town of Clinton to  
 increase its water supply and to incur indebtedness there-  
 for, was read a third time and considered ; and, pending  
 the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the  
 further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Wyer,  
 postponed until Wednesday next.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to authorize the School for Christian  
 Workers to admit women as students, was read a third  
 time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to incorporate the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company, was read a third time and considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Coveney, laid on the table.

Haverhill and  
Amesbury  
Street Railway  
Company.

The House Bill relating to taxes upon certain accident, fidelity and guaranty insurance companies, was considered and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House bill.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for legislation authorizing the regulation by ordinance of the use of bituminous coal in said city; and

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, reference to the next General Court, on the report of a committee of experts of the Massachusetts Medical Society relative to the establishment by the Commonwealth of an institution for epileptics, said institution to be in the form of cottage hospitals;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the report of the commissioners for completing the preparation and publication of the Province Laws;

House reports.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the report of the deputy sealer of weights and measures;

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of Ralph Warner and others for incorporation as the Granite Loan and Trust Company;

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to increasing the salary of the additional clerk in the office of the Adjutant-General;

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to increasing the salaries of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners;

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to increasing the salaries of women inspectors of factories in the Commonwealth

from \$1,000 per year, the sum now paid, to \$1,200 per year;

House reports.

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that the county or State shall assist towns whose valuations do not exceed \$300,000 in the support of their highways; and

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to giving assistance to towns of less valuation than \$600,000 in making permanent improvements on the principal highways in such towns;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Arnold, at twenty-nine minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.



TUESDAY, March 22, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on the Judiciary, Persons wrong-fully arrested, compensation of. that the Bill for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested (introduced on leave in the Senate), ought NOT to pass ;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. McDonald, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to increase the number of Associate justices of Superior Court, increase of. associate justices of the Superior Court ;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

By Mr. McDonald, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the House Bill fixing the time and place for holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk, ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title ; and Suffolk, county of, — probate courts.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of said city, a Bill to authorize the city of Malden to incur a debt for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ; Malden, city of, — parks.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House bills

Providing compensation for the members of the State State Dairy Bureau. Dairy Bureau ; and

In relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts, — Intoxicating liquors, — licenses at summer resorts. severally, ought to pass ; and

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the House County taxes. Resolve granting county taxes, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

District courts  
of Eastern Mid-  
dlesex, attend-  
ance of officers  
upon.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth, on the petition of John W. Pettengill and others for the passage of an act authorizing the appointment of officers to attend upon district courts of Eastern Middlesex ;

Ice on side-  
walks, injuries  
due to.

By Mr. Smith, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the mayors of the cities of Lynn and New Bedford that the limit of time for notice of injury or damage from a public way, in all cases in which snow or ice enters into its defective condition may be shortened (Mr. McDonald dissenting) ;

Railroads, lia-  
bilities of, for  
fires set by  
locomotives.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to inquiring whether any further legislation is necessary or expedient in relation to the liability of railroad corporations for fires communicated by their locomotive engines, or in relation to insurance by owners of property injured thereby so that the net amount received in such insurance may be deducted from the damages caused by such fires ;

Westminster,  
town of, —  
Judicial district  
of first district  
court of  
Northern  
Worcester.

By Mr. Fernald, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth, on the petition of E. S. Kendall and others that the town of Westminster may be made a part of the judicial district now under the jurisdiction of the first district court of Northern Worcester ;

Dana, town of,  
— Judicial dis-  
trict of first  
district court of  
Northern  
Worcester.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, reference to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth, on the petition of D. L. Richards and others that the town of Dana may be made a part of the judicial district now under the jurisdiction of the first district court of Northern Worcester ;

Liens on  
building  
materials.

By Mr. Butler, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, and acts in amendment thereof, and in addition thereto, or of such further legislation as shall give a lien for materials furnished and actually used in the erection, alteration or repair of a building or structure upon real estate, to any person who shall furnish such material ;

Worcester,  
county of, —  
probate court.

By Mr. McDonald, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, reference to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth,

on the subject-matter of the order relative to amending the Public Statutes in chapter 156, section 48, clause 15, so as to provide that regular sessions of the Probate Court for the county of Worcester shall be held at Worcester upon the first, second and third Tuesdays of each month, except the month of August, and that sessions now provided for to be held at Milford, Templeton and Barre be discontinued ;

By the same Senator, from the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to so amending chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled : " An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions," that the said tax shall be paid to the towns or cities where the deceased resided, and the assessment and collection of said tax shall be made by the local boards ;

Collateral legacies and successions, taxation of.

By Mr. Ray, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Cyrus A. Stone that the educational requirement as a prerequisite for voting be annulled ;

Elections, — educational prerequisite for voting.

By Mr. McDonald, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Cyrus A. Stone and others for a change in the law so that six months shall be the time required to establish a residence as a qualification for voting ;

Voters, establishment of legal residences of.

By Mr. Eaton, from the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a list of pardons granted by the Governor and Council during the year 1891 ;

Pardons granted by Governor and Council.

By Mr. Read of Middlesex, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Joscelyn that the number of inmates of prisons employed in the manufacture of harnesses shall not exceed fifty ;

Prisoners, — number employed in making harnesses.

By Mr. Thayer, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of Robert S. Gray and others for legislation providing that vacancies in boards of trustees of public libraries may be filled by a joint ballot of selectmen and said board of trustees ; and

Public libraries, vacancies in boards of trustees of.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing a form of charter for large towns which shall require delegates to be elected in the same manner that town officers are now chosen, whose duty it shall be to meet in conven-

Town charters.

tion and act upon all matters of business which can lawfully come before and be acted upon in town meetings, in the same manner and with the same effect that such business is now transacted by towns;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Petitions.*

Needham, town of, — water bonds.

Mr. Ray presented a petition of the water commissioners of the town of Needham that said town may be authorized to issue additional water bonds to the amount of \$50,000, and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

Sent down for concurrence.

Hanover, town of, — abolition of use of Australian ballot system.

Mr. Arnold presented a petition of the selectmen of the town of Hanover for legislation to enable said town to abolish the use of the Australian ballot system in voting for town officers, and moved a suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon. By a vote of 17 to 6 (four-fifths of the Senators present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative), the Senate refused to suspend the rule and the petition was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Writs, return days of.

A Bill in reference to the return days of writs issued by trial justices, and district, police and municipal courts, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Washington Savings Institution of Lowell.

A Bill to incorporate the Washington Savings Institution of Lowell (on the petition of William J. Coughlin and others), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

John M. Goodhue.

A Resolution relative to memorializing Congress to restore John M. Goodhue to the army and that he may be placed on the retired list, was read, and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Reports

Lands, titles to, in certain cases.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to permitting the Supreme

Judicial Court to make a decree or pass an order affecting persons without this Commonwealth and persons unknown and not ascertained and their title to lands in said Commonwealth held adversely for a term of not less than twenty years ;

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring the State Board of Education to form into school superintendency districts all towns in the State not of sufficient size to maintain school superintendents of their own, and redistrict the same at intervals of five or ten years ;

School superintendents in towns.

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of David Floyd, 2d, and others for legislation compelling the Massachusetts Benefit Association to distribute the funds in the State treasury and its benefit and reserve fund equitably among its members ; and

Massachusetts Benefit Association, distribution of funds of.

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing for the printing in pamphlet form of the ye and nay votes of the members of the Legislature, and the distribution of the same among the citizens of the Commonwealth ;

Ye and nay votes of members of Legislature.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The Senate Bill relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of county commissioner, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out, in section 4, lines 1 and 2, the words "fourteen of chapter ten of the Public Statutes," and inserting in place thereof the words "two hundred and one of chapter four hundred and twenty-three of the Acts of the year 1890." Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendment, the bill was, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

County commissioner, vacancy in office of.

### *House Petitions.*

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a House petition of Alvan Barrus and others that certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Goshen may be legalized, — and the same was returned to the House for its action.

Goshen, town of, — town meeting.

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

A petition of Benjamin H. Davidson and others in aid

Liens.

of the petition for an amendment of the lien law so that the same protection be given to material that is now given to labor ;

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
division of  
towns.

Petitions of the town officers of Shirley ; and the town officers of Erving, — severally, for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
houses of relig-  
ious worship.

Petitions of Gilbert C. Osgood and others ; W. S. Woodbridge and others ; P. A. McKenna and others ; C. S. Brooks and others ; P. B. Davis and others ; George C. Lorimer and others ; Joel M. Leonard and others ; and W. L. Chaffin and others, — severally, that no place shall be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors within 400 feet of a building used for stated religious worship ;

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

State printing  
office.

Petitions of Leland S. Maynard and others ; and David L. Gilbert and others, — severally, for the establishment of a State printing office ;

Severally to the committee on Printing.

Pittsfield, city  
of, — grade  
crossings.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Pittsfield, with the assent of the Boston and Albany Railroad Company, for legislation necessary to secure the abolition of a grade crossing in said city ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Railroads.

Fire District  
No. 1 of South  
Hadley, — water  
loan.

A petition of the prudential committee of Fire District No. 1, in the town of South Hadley for authority to make an additional water loan, in excess of the amount authorized by chapter 46 of the Acts of the present year ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

### *Bills Enacted.*

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted, and were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

To establish the polls and estates of the several cities and towns in the Commonwealth ;

To authorize the city of Somerville to raise money for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation as a town ;

Relating to rules and orders and regulations of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston ; and

To authorize the city of Northampton to issue additional sewer scrip.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Report of the committee on Federal Relations, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to urging the Senators from Massachusetts in Congress to vote for such legislation as will reduce or entirely remove the duties upon raw wool, was considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McNary, postponed until Tuesday, March 29.

The Bill prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth, as special police officers, was considered, the question being on ordering the same to a third reading. Mr. Parkman moved that the bill be amended in section 2, line 6, by inserting after the word "right," the words "In case of neglect to furnish such assistance, the city or town where such property is destroyed shall be liable to the owner for the value thereof," and this amendment was rejected. The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to compel the Boston and Maine Railroad Company to furnish suitable depot accommodations at Lynn, was considered ; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Baker, laid on the table.

The Resolve providing for printing 1,500 extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties, was read a second time and considered. Mr. Butler moved that the resolve be amended in line 5, by striking out the words "said commissioner," and inserting in place thereof the words "the Secretary of the Commonwealth." Pending this amendment and pending the main question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, it was, on motion of the same Senator, laid on the table.

Raw wool.

Special police officers.

Boston & Maine Railroad Company, — depot at Lynn.

Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties, report of.

## The bills

## Bills.

To authorize the city of New Bedford to borrow money for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ;

Giving probate courts concurrent jurisdiction with the Supreme Judicial Court in equity in relation to trusts ;

Extending the time for arranging and indexing the files and records in the office of the register of probate for the county of Hampshire ;

Relating to special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors ;

Relative to the revocation of a will on the marriage of the testator ;

Providing for the construction of additional piers for the support of Rocks Bridge and for repairs on said bridge ;

Authorizing the city of Lowell to take additional land for the armory lot ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to make an additional water loan ; and

To authorize the Plymouth and Middleborough Railroad Company to lease its road and issue bonds ; and

## The resolves

## Resolves.

In favor of George F. Hubbard ;

In favor of George H. Ross ;

In favor of Michael J. Fleming ;

In favor of William C. Merry ;

In favor of William Burt ;

In favor of Catherine R. Doherty ;

In favor of John Brickley ; and

Providing rooms for the use of the civil service commissioners ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

## Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to incorporate the Williamstown Savings Bank, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

## House bill.

The House Bill authorizing the transfer of cases in the Supreme Judicial Court ; and

## House resolve.

The House Resolve providing for printing the special report of the State Board of Agriculture on the work of extermination of the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth ;

Were severally considered and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.



The House Bill to annex a part of the town of Phillips-<sup>House bill.</sup> ton to the town of Templeton, was read a third time, and, by a vote of 10 to 8 (a quorum being present), was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill to regulate the rates of pilotage for <sup>id.</sup> landing places in the town of Winthrop, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Education,<sup>House report.</sup> leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of F. H. Gillett for the passage of an act to enable the International Young Men's Association Training School to confer appropriate degrees, was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ray, at twelve minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, March 23, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain of the House of Representatives.

*Reports of Committees.*

Proxy voting in  
certain corpo-  
rations.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill to allow members of certain charitable and other corporations to vote by proxy, ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title ;

Liens on  
buildings and  
land.

By Mr. Thayer, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relative to liens on buildings and land ;

Intoxicating  
liquors, trans-  
portation of.

By Mr. Champlin, from the committee on the Liquor Law, that the Senate Bill to further regulate the transportation of intoxicating liquors by common carriers and others (recommitted), ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title ;

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
houses of  
religious  
worship.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, on the petition of Horace A. Roberts and others, a Bill relative to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor within four hundred feet of a building used for religious worship ; and

Stoneham,  
town of, —  
anniversary  
celebration.

By Mr. Thayer, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of Myron J. Ferren, a Bill to ratify a vote of the town of Stoneham appropriating money for a celebration ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Middlesex and  
Suffolk, coun-  
ties of, —  
docket for  
equity cases in  
Superior Court.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill providing for a separate docket for equity cases in the Superior Court in the counties of Middlesex and Suffolk, ought to pass ;

World's  
Columbian  
Exposition, ap-  
propriation for.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Resolve in addition to a resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition ; and

Chief of district  
police, salary  
of.

The House Bill to establish the salary of the chief of the district police, — severally, ought to pass ; and

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to increase the bounty for the destruction of seals; and

Seals, bounty for destruction of.

The House Bill to authorize the preparation for the State Library of an index of current events; and

Current events, index of, for State Library.

The House Resolve providing for finishing and furnishing the new dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester, — severally, ought to pass;

State Normal School at Worcester.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. McDonald, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that no clerk, assistant clerk, or any person engaged in the performance of any of the duties in the clerk's office of a court in any county, and no register, assistant register or any person engaged in any of the duties in the registry of deeds in any county shall be interested in, or be benefited by, the fees or emoluments arising from any suit or matter pending before the probate court or court of insolvency of such county; nor act as counsel or attorney either in or out of court in any suit or matter pending before said courts, or in an appeal therefrom; nor be appointed executor, administrator, guardian, commissioner, appraiser, divider or assignee of or upon any estate within the jurisdiction of such courts; nor be interested in the fees or emoluments arising from either of said trusts; provided, that nothing in said law shall be construed to cause the removal of any executor, administrator or guardian acting as such at the time of its taking effect, except upon petition and cause shown; and

Clerks of courts, registers of deeds, etc., — fees.

By Mr. Champlin, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 220 of the Acts of the year 1882, being an act to prohibit the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors on premises within a certain distance of public schools, so that the provisions of the same shall not apply to a hotel containing more than one hundred rooms;

Intoxicating liquors, — public schools.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

### *Committee Discharged.*

Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, reported, asking to be discharged from the further con-

Middlesex, county of, — truant school.

sideration of the Senate Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a truant school, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures ;

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence in the reference to the committee on Expenditures.

*Reconsideration.*

Hanover, town of, — abolition of use of Australian ballot system.

On motion of Mr. Arnold, the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, refused to suspend the 12th joint rule on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Hanover for legislation to enable said town to abolish the use of the Australian ballot system in voting for town officers, — was reconsidered. On the recurring question, the rule was suspended and the petition was referred to the committee on Election Laws.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Motion to Reconsider.*

Roxbury Trust Company.

Mr. Carberry moved that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill to incorporate the Roxbury Trust Company, which was, on Monday last, passed to be enacted by the Senate. This motion prevailed and Mr. Carberry was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill having been returned by His Excellency the Governor, Mr. Carberry moved that the vote by which the bill was passed to be enacted be reconsidered, and, there being no objection thereto, this motion was entertained. On further motion of the same Senator, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. Fernald, the following House order was taken from the table and rejected, to wit : —

Free passes to members of the General Court.

*Ordered,* That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of requiring each railroad corporation operating any railroad in the Commonwealth to furnish a free pass over such railroad to each member of the General Court, which shall hold good during such member's term of office.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, the Senate Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Chester C. Conant, judge of Probate and Insolvency for the county of Franklin, for an increase of salary, was taken from the table and amended, on further motion of the same Senator, by striking out the words "petitioner have leave to withdraw," and inserting in place thereof the words "petition be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth." The report, as amended, was then accepted.

Judge of Probate and Insolvency for Franklin County, salary of.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, the report of the commission appointed to investigate the subject of manual training and industrial education, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Education.

Manual training and industrial education.

Sent down for concurrence.

### *Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Fernald, —

*Ordered*, That there be printed one thousand additional copies of the Senate Document, No. 79, being the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891, to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto.

Real estate, recording and indexing titles to, — additional copies of report of committee.

### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year and for other expenses authorized by law, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Appropriations.

### Reports

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Harris that Cornelius J. Robbins may be made eligible to receive State aid; and

Cornelius J. Robbins.

Of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary:

On the fifth annual report of General Superintendent of Prisons, relating to prison labor; and

General Superintendent of Prisons, report of, on prison labor.

On the fourteenth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women;

Commissioners of Prisons, report of, on the Reformatory Prison for Women.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*House Petitions, etc.*

Williamsburg,  
town of, —  
town meeting.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of the selectmen of the town of Williamsburg that the proceedings of the last annual meeting of said town may be ratified and confirmed, — and the same was returned to the House for its action.

Wellfleet, town  
of, — bridge to  
Lieutenant's  
Island.

The question on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of E. F. Reed and another for authority to build a bridge from or near the Old Wharf in Wellfleet to Lieutenant's Island in Wellfleet Bay, — was, at the request of Mr. Simpkins, postponed until to-morrow.

Rector, war-  
dens and vestry  
of the Church  
of the Messiah.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of Causten Browne for legislation authorizing the organization of a new Protestant Episcopal Parish in Boston under the name of the Rector, Wardens and Vestry of the Church of the Messiah, — and the same was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

The following House petitions, etc., were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Cambridge, an-  
nexation of, to  
Boston.

A remonstrance of John D. Long and others against the annexation of Cambridge to Boston ;  
To the committee on Cities.

Marion, town  
of, — scallop  
fisheries.

A petition of the selectmen and others of the town of Marion in aid of the order relative to the protection of the scallop fisheries of said town ;  
To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Marblehead,  
town of, —  
removal of  
stones from  
beaches.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Marblehead for legislation increasing the penalty for the taking of stones, gravel and sand from the beaches of said town ;  
To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Municipal coal  
yards.

Petitions of M. E. Wood and others ; W. H. Brackett and others ; Z. Handcock and others ; James Landers and others ; Gilbert S. Fletcher and others ; W. A. Cogins and others ; Thomas F. Collins and others ; Patrick D. Sullivan and others ; F. Y. Orcutt and others ; Francis Bellamy and others ; Helen Bullens and others ; Lewis A. Pope and others ; W. G. Reed and others ; B.

McCarthy and others; Mary P. Fearing and others; William Lee Church and others; A. F. Butterworth and others; Frederick E. Allen and others; E. Gertrude Smith and others; L. T. Cushing and others; James McNeil and others; G. E. C. Buffington and others; Theodore L. Savage and others; S. Haworth and others; John T. Roper and others; W. W. Taylor and others; G. F. Gall and others; C. S. P. Dodge and others; Thomas Loughlin and others; James O. Stewart and others; Maurice Foley and others; J. M. Stockman and others; Albert Hess and others; James E. Stevens and others; Allen T. Hodge and others; George W. Southworth and others; and James H. Lakeman and others,—severally, for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A remonstrance of J. Evarts Hitchcock and others against the granting of the petition of H. N. Slater and others for the incorporation of a fire district in the town of Webster;

Webster, town of,—fire district.

To the committee on Water Supply.

### *House Order Laid Over.*

The question on concurring in the adoption of the following House order was, at the request of Mr. Parkman, postponed until to-morrow:—

*Ordered,* That a joint special committee, to consist of seven members on the part of the House and such members as the Senate may join, be appointed to sit during the recess of the Legislature to inquire into the subject of the compensation and duties of all officials serving upon the administrative boards and commissions of the Commonwealth and persons in their regular employ, also of all officials and regular employees of the public institutions of the Commonwealth, also county commissioners, county treasurers and clerks of the Supreme and Superior Courts for the several counties.

Joint special committee,— investigation of the duties and salaries of officials and employees of administrative boards and commissions and public institutions.

Said committee shall in their report state particularly the following facts as to such officials and regular employees: 1. The time of the appointment of those now in office; 2. What compensation they received at the time of their appointment; 3. What their duties were at the time of their appointment; 4. What their present

duties are; 5. What compensation they now receive; 6. Whether they have any other business; 7. Whether the salaries of any of said officials should be raised, equalized or reduced, or dispensed with.

Said committee shall be furnished a room in the State House, shall be authorized to employ a stenographer, shall be furnished with stationery and postage, may send for persons and papers, may hold sessions in such parts of the Commonwealth as they may deem expedient, shall report in print to the next General Court on or before the first Wednesday in February, and shall be paid such compensation as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

*Engrossed Bill Laid on the Table.*

Beacon Trust  
Company.

The Bill to incorporate the Beacon Trust Company (which originated in the House), was put upon its final passage; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be enacted, it was, on motion of Mr. Carberry, laid on the table.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

County com-  
missioner,  
vacancy in  
office of.

The Senate concurred in the adoption of the House amendment to the Senate Bill relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of county commissioner, — striking out, in section 4, lines 1 and 2, the words “fourteen of chapter ten of the Public Statutes,” and inserting in place thereof the words “two hundred and one of chapter four hundred and twenty-three of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety.”

Intoxicating  
liquor, sale of,  
at summer  
resorts.

The Bill in relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts, was read a second time and considered. Mr. Champlin moved that the bill be amended, in section 1, as follows: In line 14, strike out the word “first,” and insert in place thereof the word “twenty-third;” also strike out the word “tenth,” and insert in place thereof the word “twenty-eighth;” in line 28, strike out the word “twelfth,” and insert in place thereof the word “twenty-eighth;” in lines 29 and 30, strike out the words “The State Treasurer shall pay to the chief of the bureau of



statistics of labor;" in line 32, insert after the word "town," the words "shall be paid out of the State treasury;" in line 41, insert after the word "selectmen," the words "may receive applications, investigate and publish during the month of June, and;" in line 43, insert after the word "population," the words "not including the permanent inhabitants of such town;" in line 44, strike out the word "fifteenth," and insert in place thereof the word "first;" also strike out the word "June," and insert in place thereof the word "July;" in line 45, strike out the word "fifteenth," and insert in place thereof the word "first;" also strike out the word "September," and insert in place thereof the word "October."

Pending these amendments, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until Monday, March 28.

The House Resolution relative to memorializing Congress to restore John M. Goodhue to the army, and that he may be placed on the retired list, was considered, the question being on the adoption thereof, in concurrence.

John M.  
Goodhue.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, the resolution was amended by the substitution of "Resolutions relative to memorializing Congress to restore John M. Goodhue to the army and to place him on the retired list," and, as amended, was adopted.

The resolution, as amended by the resolutions adopted by the Senate, was as follows:—

*Resolved*, That the Senators and Representatives of this Commonwealth in Congress are hereby requested to use their best efforts to secure the passage of an act restoring John M. Goodhue, a citizen of this Commonwealth, to the rank held by him in the United States Army at the time of his retirement and placing him on the retired list.

*Resolved*, That copies of these resolutions be sent to the Senators and Representatives of this Commonwealth in Congress.

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested, was considered, the question being on the rejection thereof, as recommended by the committee on the

Persons wrong-  
fully arrested,  
compensation  
of.

Judiciary. Pending this question, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Merritt, postponed until Wednesday, March 30.

- The bills**
- Bills.** Fixing the time and place of holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk ;  
 To authorize the city of Malden to incur a debt for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ;  
 Providing compensation for the members of the State Dairy Bureau ; and  
 To incorporate the Washington Savings Institution of Lowell ; and
- Resolve.** The Resolve granting county taxes ;  
 Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.
- Senate bill.** The Senate Bill to authorize the town of Clinton to increase its water supply and to incur indebtedness therefor, was considered and passed to be engrossed.  
 Sent down for concurrence.
- The Senate bills**
- Senate bills.** Prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth as special police officers ; and  
 To authorize the city of New Bedford to borrow money for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ;  
 Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.  
 Severally sent down for concurrence.
- The House bills**
- House bills.** Giving probate courts concurrent jurisdiction with the Supreme Judicial Court in equity in relation to trusts ;  
 Extending the time for arranging and indexing the files and records in the office of the register of probate for the county of Hampshire ;  
 Relative to the revocation of a will on the marriage of the testator ;  
 Providing for the construction of additional piers for the support of Rocks Bridge and for repairs on said bridge ;  
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In favor of John Brickley ; and

Providing rooms for the use of the civil service commissioners ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth, on the petition of D. L. Richards and others that the town of Dana may be made a part of the judicial district now under the jurisdiction of the first district court of Northern Worcester ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth, on the petition of E. S. Kendall and others that the town of Westminster may be made a part of the judicial district now under the jurisdiction of the first district court of Northern Worcester ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 191 of the Public Statutes, and acts in amendment thereof, and in addition thereto, or of such further legislation as shall give a lien for materials furnished and actually used in the erection, alteration or repair of a building or structure upon real estate, to any person who shall furnish such material ;

Of the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to so amending chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled : " An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions," that the said tax shall be paid to the towns or cities where deceased resided, and the assessment and collection of said tax shall be made by the local boards ;

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Cyrus A. Stone that the

House resolves.

Senate reports.

educational requirement as a prerequisite for voting be annulled ;

*Senate reports.*

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Cyrus A. Stone and others for a change in the law so that six months shall be the time required to establish a residence as a qualification for voting ;

Of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a list of pardons granted by the Governor and Council during the year 1891 ;

Of the committee on Prisons, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Joscelyn that the number of inmates of prisons employed in the manufacture of harnesses shall not exceed fifty ;

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of Robert S. Gray and others for legislation providing that vacancies in boards of trustees of public libraries may be filled by a joint ballot of selectmen and said board of trustees ; and

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing a form of charter for large towns which shall require delegates to be elected in the same manner that town officers are now chosen, whose duty it shall be to meet in convention and act upon all matters of business which can lawfully come before and be acted upon in town meetings, in the same manner and with the same effect that such business is now transacted by towns ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*The Senate reports*

*Id.*

Of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth, on the petition of John W. Pettengill and others for the passage of an act authorizing the appointment of officers to attend upon district courts of Eastern Middlesex ; and

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, reference to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth, on the subject-matter of the order relative to amending the Public Statutes in chapter 156, section 48, clause 15, so as to provide that regular sessions of the Probate Court for the county of

Worcester shall be held at Worcester upon the first, second and third Tuesdays of each month, except the month of August, and that sessions now provided for to be held at Milford, Templeton and Barre be discontinued ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence in the reference.

#### The Senate reports

Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, Senate reports.  
on the petitions of the mayors of the cities of Lynn and New Bedford that the limit of time for notice of injury or damage from a public way, in all cases in which snow or ice enters into its defective condition may be shortened ; and

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to inquiring whether any further legislation is necessary or expedient in relation to the liability of railroad corporations for fires communicated by their locomotive engines, or in relation to insurance by owners of property injured thereby, so that the net amount received in such insurance may be deducted from the damages caused by such fires ;

Were severally accepted.

#### The House reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient House reports.  
to legislate, on the order relative to permitting the Supreme Judicial Court to make a decree or pass an order affecting persons without this Commonwealth and persons unknown and not ascertained and their title to lands in said Commonwealth held adversely for a term of not less than twenty years ;

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring the State Board of Education to form into school superintendency districts all towns in the State not of sufficient size to maintain school superintendents of their own, and redistrict the same at intervals of five or ten years ;

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of David Floyd, 2d, and others for legislation compelling the Massachusetts Benefit Association to distribute the funds in the State treasury and its benefit and reserve fund equitably among its members ; and

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing for the printing in

pamphlet form of the yea and nay vote of the members of the Legislature, and the distribution of the same among the citizens of the Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Meade, at twenty-two minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, March 24, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Bill to increase the number of associate justices of the Superior Court; and

Superior Court, associate justices of.

The House Bill making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year and for other expenses authorized by law, — severally, ought to pass;

Appropriations.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salaries of the first and second assistant clerks of the courts for the county of Middlesex; and

Assistant clerks of courts for county of Middlesex, salaries of.

The Senate Resolve in favor of New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes; and

New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes.

The House Bill to provide clerical assistance for the treasurer of the county of Bristol, — severally, ought to pass; and

Treasurer of Bristol County, clerical assistance for.

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the House Bill to establish the salary of the first clerk of the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture, ought to pass;

State Board of Agriculture, — salary of first clerk.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Hickox, from the committee on Agriculture, on an order, a Bill providing for the assignment of police officers for special service at agricultural and horticultural exhibitions;

Cattle shows, etc., preservation of order at.

By Mr. West, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners (in part), a Bill to protect the shores and beaches of Boston Harbor; and

Boston Harbor, shores and beaches of.

By Mr. Kimball, from the committee on Railroads, on the petition of the same, a Bill to confirm the organization and proceedings of the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company;

Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Westborough  
Insane  
Hospital.

By Mr. Reade of Suffolk, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the seventh annual report of the Westborough Insane Hospital (in part), a Resolve providing for the purchase of land and buildings thereon and of a silo for the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

Justice of first  
district court  
of Eastern  
Worcester,  
salary of.  
Clerk of police  
court of Lynn,  
salary of.

By Mr. Baker, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the first district court of Eastern Worcester ; and

By the same Senator, from the same committee, on the petition of John R. Baldwin and others, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Lynn ;

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Election laws,—  
payment of  
taxes by  
political com-  
mittees.

By Mr. Smith, from the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to forbidding the payment of the taxes of voters by political committees or by persons other than those upon whom the taxes are assessed ;

Elections, — use  
of sealed  
envelopes.

By Mr. McEttrick, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Warner Johnson for an amendment of the election laws to dispense with the marking of ballots and to provide for voting in sealed envelopes by ballots printed at the public expense ;

Boston, city of,  
— powers and  
duties of city  
clerk in  
elections.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to transferring the duties and powers of the city clerk of Boston, relative to elections, to the board of registrars of said city ;

Intoxicating  
liquors.

By Mr. Reade of Suffolk, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to a revision of all laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Ibid.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of B. B. Johnson for legislation which will more effectually prevent the use as a beverage, on the premises of licensees other than those of the first class, of intoxicating liquors purchased on said premises ;

Taunton  
Lunatic Hos-  
pital, report of  
trustees.

By Mr. Nutter, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the thirty-eighth annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ; and



By Mr. Nichols, from the committee on Public Health, <sup>Arsenic.</sup> no legislation necessary, on the report of the secretary of the State Board of Health, relative to the sale of articles containing arsenic ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. Champlin, the annual report of the Tax Commissioner and the Commissioner of Corporations for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, was taken from the table ; and so much thereof as related to the general corporation law, the change of names of corporations and the law requiring foreign corporations to make the Commissioner of Corporations their attorney for the service of process, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs ; the residue thereof was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Taxation. <sup>Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of Corporations, report of.</sup>

On motion of Mr. Butler, the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891, to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto, — was taken from the table and referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary. <sup>Real estate, — system of indexing records of deeds, mortgages, titles, etc.</sup>

Sent down for concurrence.

*Petition.*

Mr. Howard presented a petition of Hannah Storey and others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours a week, which was referred to the committee on Labor. <sup>Women and children, hours of labor of.</sup>

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

**Bills**

To authorize the Newton and Boston Street Railway Company to increase its capital stock, extend its location, issue bonds, and mortgage its property and franchise (on the petition of the same) ; <sup>Newton and Boston Street Railway Company.</sup>

Providing for a consolidation of the Boston Industrial Temporary Home and the Appleton Temporary Home (on the petition of Thomas D. Roberts) ; <sup>Boston Industrial Temporary Home, — Appleton Temporary Home.</sup>

Boston and  
Revere Electric  
Street Railway  
Company.

Authorizing the Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company to construct tracks upon locations granted by the selectmen of Winthrop (on the petition of the same) ;

Shade trees.

To remove the restrictions imposed upon town and city officials in respect to the time of marking shade trees for preservation (on an order) ; and

Trout.

To prohibit the sale of trout less than six inches long (on the petition of H. H. Chilson and others) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

#### Reports

Fish and game  
wardens.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring the appointment in all cities and towns of fish and game wardens, of authorizing said wardens to serve criminal process, to make complaints and to make arrests without warrant, and of otherwise specifying the duties and qualifications of said wardens ;

House of cor-  
rection in Cam-  
bridge, manu-  
facture of  
brushes in.

Of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 371 of the Acts of the year 1891, so that one hundred prisoners may be employed in the manufacture of brushes at the house of correction in Cambridge upon the public account system ;

Penal institu-  
tions, industries  
in.

Of the committee on Prisons, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to more fully limiting and controlling the industries carried on in the State prison and other penal institutions of the Commonwealth, so that interference with honest labor may be reduced to a minimum ; and

Boards of health  
in towns.

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending the present law allowing a town to impose the duties of the local board of health upon the selectmen, so that it shall be permissive only in the smaller towns ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Elections, —  
precinct voting  
in the election  
of town officers.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a Bill to provide for precinct voting in the election of town officers (introduced on leave in the House), and the same was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.

The petition of A. H. Gardner that authority may be granted to the town of Nantucket, or to private individuals, to fill up that portion of the dock between Old North and Steamboat wharves west of the Nantucket Railroad crossing (on which the committee on Harbors and Public Lands reported, in the House, recommending that the petition be referred to the next General Court for want of proper notice), came up, recommitted, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct; and the Senate concurred therein.

Nantucket,  
town of, —  
improvement on  
water front.

Notice was received from the House that the Bill to amend the Public Statutes relating to public troughs and fountains (introduced on leave in the House), had been rejected by that branch.

Public troughs  
and fountains.

### *House Petition.*

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of the selectmen of the town of Belchertown that the proceedings of the annual meeting of said town may be legalized; and the same was returned to the House for its action.

Belchertown,  
town of, — town  
meeting.

### *Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To authorize the town of Randolph to make an additional water loan;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the town of Holbrook to make an additional water loan;

To repeal section 11 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, requiring presiding judges of the Superior Court to reduce to writing their decisions and instructions during the progress of a trial;

To establish the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth;

Relating to the pursuing of wild fowl;

To authorize the Pilgrim Congregational Church of Duxbury to convey its property;

**Bills enacted.**

Authorizing steam railroads to use electricity as a motive power ;

To authorize the town of Easthampton to refund a portion of certain moneys paid for a liquor license ;

Relative to the taking of land for taxes so as to dispense with the filing of certain papers connected with such taking ; and

To establish the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court.

**Resolve passed.**

An engrossed Resolve providing for certain improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury (which originated in the House), was passed.

The following House order, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was rejected, to wit : —

Joint special committee, — investigation of the duties and salaries of officials and employees of administrative boards and commissions and public institutions.

*Ordered*, That a joint special committee, to consist of seven members on the part of the House and such members as the Senate may join, be appointed to sit during the recess of the Legislature to inquire into the subject of compensation and duties of all officials serving upon the administrative boards and commissions of the Commonwealth and persons in their regular employ, also of all officials and regular employees of the public institutions of the Commonwealth ; also county commissioners, county treasurers and clerks of the Supreme and Superior Courts for the several counties.

Said committee shall in their report state particularly the following facts as to such officials and regular employees : 1. The time of the appointment of those now in office ; 2. What compensation they received at the time of their appointment ; 3. What their duties were at the time of their appointment ; 4. What their present duties are ; 5. What compensation they now receive ; 6. Whether they have any other business ; 7. Whether the salaries of any of said officials should be raised, equalized or reduced or dispensed with.

Said committee shall be furnished a room in the State House, shall be authorized to employ a stenographer, shall be furnished with stationery and postage, may send for persons and papers, may hold sessions in such parts of the Commonwealth as they may deem expedient, shall report in print to the next General Court on or before the first

Wednesday in February, and shall be paid such compensation as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the House petition of E. F. Reed and another for authority to build a bridge from or near the Old Wharf in Wellfleet to Lieutenant's Island in Wellfleet Bay (the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday), and the same was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

Wellfleet, town of, — bridge to Lieutenant's Island.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill to further regulate the transportation of intoxicating liquors by common carriers and others, was read a second time and considered.

Intoxicating liquors, transportation of, by common carriers and others.  
Point of order.

Mr. Coveney rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that the bill was beyond the scope of the petitions upon which it was based, in that, while the petitioners asked that further restrictions might be placed upon the transportation and delivery of intoxicating liquors in towns and cities which "have not voted to grant liquor licenses" of the first five classes, the bill imposes restrictions upon transportation and delivery in towns and cities "where licenses of the first five classes have not been granted;" also because the petitioners asked for restrictions in towns and cities which have not voted to grant liquor licenses, while the bill places restrictions on liquor sold in all towns and cities.

Pending the decision of the chair on the point of order, the further consideration of the bill was, on motion of Mr. Coveney, postponed until Monday, March 28.

The Bill relative to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor within four hundred feet of a building used for religious worship, was read a second time and considered. Mr. Thayer moved that the bill be amended in section 1, line 5, by inserting after the word "any," the words "church edifice;" also by striking out all of section 1 after the word "worship," in line 7.

Intoxicating liquors, — houses of religious worship.

Mr. Parkman moved that the bill be amended in section 1, line 5, by inserting after the word "building," the words "which is exempted by law from taxation, either

in whole or in part, for the reason that it is occupied as a place for stated religious worship."

Point of order.

Mr. Coveney rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that the bill should not be entertained because it did not grant the request of the petitioners. The same Senator moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Monday, March 28, and this motion was lost.

Ruling by  
chair.

On the point of order the President ruled as follows :—

The petition upon which the bill is based requests such a change in the language of chapter 220 of the Acts of the year 1882, that the provisions of the act may also apply to all buildings which are used, in whole or in part, for stated religious worship.

The point of order raised by the Senator from Suffolk is that the bill "does not grant the request of the petitioners." The bill before the Senate adopts the language of said chapter 220, except that its prohibition is made to apply to any building or place within four hundred feet of any building, occupied in whole or in part as a place for stated religious worship, while the corresponding provision in said chapter 220,—relative to any building occupied, in whole or in part, by a public school,—is limited in its application to such building or place *on the same street* as such schoolhouse, and within four hundred feet thereof. If any variance exists between the prayer of the petitioners and the provisions of the bill, it is in their favor, extending their request and including not only the request of the petitioners but more than was asked. The decision of the chair must be confined to the question of whether the bill grants all that is included in the request of the petitioners and cannot include any other question; and the chair is of the opinion that such request has been fully complied with. The provision that the act shall not apply to persons previously licensed as innholders is not in conflict with the prayer.

The chair therefore rules that the point of order is not well taken.

The amendment moved by Mr. Thayer to insert, in section 1, line 5, after the word "any," the words "church edifice," and that moved by Mr. Parkman, were severally adopted.

The question on the adoption of the amendment moved by Mr. Thayer, to strike out all of section 1 after the word "worship," in line 7, was determined as follows, to wit :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McDonald, James W.

Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Provin, William  
Thayer, John R. — 14.

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Parkman, Henry

Messrs. Ray, William F.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S.  
West, William H. — 16.

PAIRED.

Mr. John Reade (Suffolk), [present], Mr. George K. Nichols. — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Carberry, William H.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 7.

So the amendment was rejected.

The question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, was then determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S.  
West, William H. — 18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William — 11.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

## NAYS.

Mr. Francis H. Raymond, Mr. John R. Thayer [present],  
Mr. George K. Nichols, Mr. John Reade (Suffolk), [present].—4.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs Arnold, Francis P. Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
Carberry, William H. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin Wyer, Edwin F.—6.

So the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Seals, bounty  
for destruction  
of.

The Bill to increase the bounty for the destruction of seals, was read a second time and amended, on motion of Mr. Raymond, in section 1, lines 6 and 17, by striking out, in each line, the word “two,” and inserting in place thereof the word “three.” The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The bills

To ratify a vote of the town of Stoneham appropriating money for a celebration ;

Relative to liens on buildings and land ;

To allow members of certain charitable and other corporations to vote by proxy ;

Providing for a separate docket for equity cases in the Superior Court in the counties of Middlesex and Suffolk ;

To establish the salary of the chief of the district police ; and

To authorize the preparation for the State Library of an index of current events ; and

The resolves

Resolves.

In addition to a resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition ; and

Providing for finishing and furnishing the new dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate bills.

The Senate bills

Fixing the time and place of holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk ; and

To authorize the city of Malden to incur a debt for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.



The House Bill providing compensation for the members of the State Dairy Bureau, was read a third time and amended, on motion of Mr. Clark, in section 1, by striking out, in line 9, the words "included in," and inserting in place thereof the words "paid from;" also by inserting, in line 10, after the word "by," the words "section eight of." The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

State Dairy  
Bureau.

The House Bill to incorporate the Washington Savings Institution of Lowell; and

House bill.

The House Resolve granting county taxes;

House resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that no clerk, assistant clerk, or any person engaged in the performance of any of the duties in the clerk's office of a court in any county, and no register, assistant register or any person engaged in any of the duties in the registry of deeds in any county shall be interested in, or be benefited by, the fees or emoluments arising from any suit or matter pending before the probate court or court of insolvency of such county; nor act as counsel or attorney either in or out of court in any suit or matter pending before said courts, or in an appeal therefrom; nor be appointed executor, administrator, guardian, commissioner, appraiser, divider or assignee of or upon any estate within the jurisdiction of such courts; nor be interested in the fees or emoluments arising from either of said trusts; provided, that nothing in said law shall be construed to cause the removal of any executor, administrator or guardian acting as such at the time of its taking effect, except upon petition and cause shown; and

Senate reports.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 220 of the Acts of the year 1882, being an act to prohibit the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors on premises within a certain distance of public schools, so that the provisions of the same shall not apply to a hotel containing more than one hundred rooms;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**House report.**

The House Report of the committee on **Military Affairs**, leave to withdraw, on the petition of **Charles E. Harris** that **Cornelius J. Robbins** may be made eligible to receive State aid, was accepted, in concurrence.

**General Superintendent of Prisons, report of, on prison labor.**

The House Report of the committee on **Prisons**, no legislation necessary, on the fifth annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons, relating to prison labor, was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance thereof, in concurrence, it was, on motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, laid on the table.

**Commissioners of Prisons, report of, on the Reformatory Prison for Women.**

The House Report of the committee on **Prisons**, no legislation necessary, on the fourteenth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women, was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance thereof, in concurrence, it was, on motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Dame, at twenty-six minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P.M.

FRIDAY, March 25, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Thomas E. St. John of Haverhill, a member of the House of Representatives.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relating to the returns of fines, forfeitures, costs, fees and moneys by county treasurers ; County treasurers, returns by.

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of William L. Slade and another, a Bill to incorporate the Nathan Slade Cemetery Association ; and Nathan Slade Cemetery Association.

By Mr. Kimball, from the committee on Railroads, on an order, a Bill relative to the abolition of certain grade crossings in the city of Northampton ; Northampton, city of, — grade crossings.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill in reference to the return days of writs issued by trial justices and district, police and municipal courts, ought to pass ; and Writs, return days of.

By Mr. Thayer, from the same committee, that the House Bill regulating the use of embalming fluid in cases where persons are supposed to have come to their death by violence, ought to pass ; Embalming fluid, use of.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

By Mr. Merritt, from the committee on Agriculture, on an order, a Bill to provide a bounty for the destruction of noisome animals ; Noisome animals, bounty for destruction of.

By Mr. Eaton, from the committee on Prisons, on the petition of the same, a Resolve in favor of George O. Bent ; and George O. Bent.

By Mr. Meade, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the thirteenth annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity (in part), a Bill to establish an asylum for the chronic insane ; Chronic insane, asylum for.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

**Cremation.**

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill authorizing the formation of corporations for advocating cremation and for the cremating of the bodies of their deceased members, ought NOT to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

*Petition.*

Primitive  
Methodist  
Church  
U. S. A., East  
Conference.

Mr. Howard presented a petition of N. W. Matthews and others for an act of incorporation as the Primitive Methodist Church of the United States of America, East Conference, which was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Committee Discharged.*

Register of  
probate and  
insolvency for  
Hampden  
County, salary  
of.

Mr. Drury, from the committee on Public Service, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of James A. Lakin that the salary of Samuel B. Spooner, register of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampden, may be increased, — and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth;

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Reports.*

Gas, manu-  
facture and sale  
of, — special  
report of Board  
of Gas and  
Electric Light  
Commissioners.

A report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners on the subject of the manufacture and sale of gas by the Boston Gas Company, made in accordance with the instructions of the General Court, was received, and, on motion of Mr. Howard, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Municipal  
charters, gen-  
eral form of.

A report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891, to consider the subject of greater uniformity and system in the provisions of law relative to the several cities of the Commonwealth and the framing of a general form of municipal charter, was received, and was referred to the committee on Cities.

Sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Bills

To amend section 27 of chapter 24 of the Public Statutes, relating to the appointment of index commissioners for Suffolk County ;

Suffolk, county of, — index commissioners.

Requiring clerks of courts for the several counties to keep their offices open continuously during business hours ; and

Clerks of courts.

To authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to receive and hold the property now held by the Lamson Home ;

Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society, — Lamson Home.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to enable the Benevolent Fraternity of Churches in the city of Boston to hold additional real and personal estate (on the petition of the same), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

Benevolent Fraternity of Churches in Boston.

## Reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On the order relative to amending chapter 426 of the Acts of the year 1888, and chapter 307 of the Acts of the year 1890, so as to provide for the better protection of human life in case of fire ; and

Protection of life in case of fire.

On the order relative to so amending section 1 of chapter 426 of the Acts of the year 1888, as to provide that safe ways of egress from a burning structure to the ground shall be required by means of incombustible stairways inclosed by fire-proof walls either inside or outside of all such buildings ;

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw :

On the petitions of Ethan Brooks and others that no person convicted in this Commonwealth of a crime shall for a limited time thereafter have the right of suffrage ; and

Criminals, — right of suffrage.

On the petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in the election of senators and representatives ;

Senators and representatives, election of.

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing for the examination and certification of teachers by State authority ;

Teachers, examination of.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, no legislation necessary :

Intoxicating  
liquors.

On the abstract of the returns made by city and town clerks in accordance with the requirements of section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, showing the number of licenses issued for the sale of intoxicating liquors, etc. ; and

Id.

On so much of the seventh annual report of the board of police of the city of Boston as relates to the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court :

Id.

On the Bill relating to the sale and use of spirituous and intoxicating liquors (introduced on leave in the House) ;

Id.

On the Bill relating to the sale and use of spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and permitting unrestricted sale when a city or town votes in favor of free liquor (introduced on leave in the House) ; and

Id.

On the Bill relating to licensing the sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage (introduced on leave in the House) ;

Intoxicating  
liquors, — em-  
ployment of  
women.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William H. Yates for legislation to prevent the employment of women on premises where intoxicating liquors are sold ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate :

Intoxicating  
liquors, restric-  
tions upon sale  
of.

On the order relative to providing that the prescription and sale of intoxicating liquors be subjected to the restrictions and limitations that now apply to poisons, in accordance with the provisions of sections 1, 2 and 3 of chapter 209 of the Acts of the year 1888 ; and

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
licenses.

On the order relative to amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the number of licenses to be granted, by inserting after the word " Boston," in the eighth line of section 1, the words " and in any city so voting at its annual municipal election or town so voting at its annual meeting ;"

Massachusetts  
State Prison.

Of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the commissioners of prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison ;

Massachusetts  
School for the  
Feeble-Minded.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the forty-fourth annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded ;

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of William Lloyd Garrison and others for the collection of all public revenue from the land by a single tax on its site rental value; and

Single tax.

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of T. C. Brophy and others for a law granting the free use of halls owned by towns and cities for meetings of citizens;

Free use of halls owned by cities and towns.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

An order relative to providing that all lands hereafter taken by a city or town under the right of eminent domain be taken by the board or officer authorized by law to take land for laying out streets; that all such lands shall be taken in fee; and that the purposes for which such lands may be taken may be more clearly defined (from the further consideration of which the House committee on the Judiciary had been discharged), came up, the subject-matter thereof having been referred to the committee on Cities; and the Senate concurred in the reference.

Cities and towns, — eminent domain.

An order relative to amending section 48 of chapter 156 of the Public Statutes, so as to abolish the sessions of the probate court for the county of Norfolk, now holden at Hyde Park, and to provide for the holding of said session at Dedham (from the further consideration of which the House committee on Probate and Insolvency had been discharged), came up, the subject-matter thereof having been referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth; and the Senate concurred in the reference.

Norfolk, county of, — sessions of the probate courts.

An order relative to providing that in addition to the days fixed by law upon which probate courts are held, they may also be held at the shire towns of the several counties at such other times as the respective judges shall appoint (from the further consideration of which the House committee on Probate and Insolvency had been discharged), came up, the subject-matter thereof having been referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth; and the Senate concurred in the reference.

Probate courts, sessions of, in shire towns.

Petitions of George F. Bicknell and others that the terms of the probate court of the county of Bristol may be

Bristol, county of, — sessions of the probate court.

held at Attleborough (from the further consideration of which the House committee on Probate and Insolvency had been discharged), came up, referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth; and the Senate concurred in the reference.

Woburn, city  
of, — public  
cemeteries.

The Senate Bill relating to the public cemeteries in the city of Woburn, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended as follows: In section 2, line 17, by striking out the word "removal," and inserting in place thereof the word "renewal;" also in section 3, line 2, by inserting after the word "amended," the words "by striking out the word 'town,' in the first line thereof, and inserting in place thereof the word 'city,' also." Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendments, the bill was, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

#### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence: —

Women and  
children, hours  
of labor of.

Petitions of Joseph Gee and others; William Kershaw and others; John J. Boardman and others; Walter Graham, Jr., and others; James Graham and others; John J. Duvally, Jr., and others; Anne Sullivan and others; Thomas Jennings and others; James Taylor and others; Michael Fitzpatrick and others; John Dregborn and others; and Robert Potts and others, — severally, for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to 56 hours a week;

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Municipal coal  
yards.

Petitions of George J. Kelley and others; William H. King and others; C. C. Mitchell and others; Arthur L. Lougee and others; P. J. Cahill and others; George M. Grant and others; Harry J. Wetherbee and others; W. T. Mills and others; P. A. Cushing and others; John W. Gibboney and others; Martha G. Champlin and others; William H. Patton and others; Patrick Doody and others; G. M. Abbott and others; John B. Goffy and others; M. G. Nolen and others; Wallace Osborne and others; Arthur E. Linnell and others; A. W. Mitchell and others; Ellen P. Blessington and others; D. E. McGowan and others; F. W. Gregory and others; N. S. Banfield and



others ; Elisha Pratt and others ; N. J. Colgan and others ; Luther W. Bixby and others ; Ruth H. Brady and others ; Ernest A. Hall and others ; H. E. Warren and others ; C. E. Stevenson and others ; Edward Doyle and others ; Warren McClure and others ; Charles A. Buckley and others ; Harry W. Turner and others ; Charles A. Sanborn and others ; P. E. Millay and others ; J. Whittier and others ; John M. Burke and others ; N. W. Millard and others ; George C. Draper and others ; Herbert McIntosh and others ; L. Hildreth and others ; Daniel Curtis and others ; and George Bartlett and others, — severally, for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards ;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

*Bills and Resolve laid before the Governor.*

The following engrossed bills, which were, yesterday, passed to be enacted, were severally signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

To authorize the town of Randolph to make an additional water loan ;

Enacted bills  
laid before the  
Governor.

To authorize the town of Holbrook to make an additional water loan ;

To repeal section 11 of chapter 152 of the Public Statutes, requiring presiding judges of the Superior Court to reduce to writing their decisions and instructions during the progress of a trial ;

To establish the salary of the Governor of the Commonwealth ;

Relating to the pursuing of wild fowl ;

To authorize the Pilgrim Congregational Church of Duxbury to convey its property ;

Authorizing steam railroads to use electricity as a motive power ;

To authorize the town of Easthampton to refund a portion of certain moneys paid for a liquor license ;

Relative to the taking of land for taxes so as to dispense with the filing of certain papers connected with such taking ; and

To establish the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court.

The engrossed Resolve providing for certain improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, which was, yesterday, passed, was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve laid  
before the  
Governor.

*Bills Enacted.*

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, and were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:—

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

To establish the number of officers in attendance upon the Superior and Supreme Judicial Courts for the county of Middlesex, to define their duties and to establish their salaries;

To authorize the Plymouth and Middleborough Railroad Company to lease its road and issue bonds; and

To authorize the trustees of the Bromfield Street Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston to sell and convey the real estate of said church.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Bankrupt and  
insolvent  
debtors, special  
judgments  
against.

The House Bill relating to special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors, was read a third time and considered. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by inserting, near the beginning of section 1, after the words "is hereby amended," the following words: "by inserting after the word 'property,' in the first line of said section the words 'estate, interest or money,' and by striking out all after the word 'attached,' in the eighth line of said section, to and including the word 'attached,' in the fifteenth line, and inserting in place thereof the following words: 'or been brought within the control of a court of equity, by injunction or otherwise, in proceedings upon bills by creditors to reach and apply, in payment of a debt, any property right, title or interest, legal or equitable, of a debtor, within this State, which cannot be come at to be attached in a suit at law against such debtor, or in other proceedings in equity, or by payment of money into court, and when it shall be made to appear, by default or otherwise, that the plaintiff is entitled to judgment or decree, except for such bankruptcy or insolvency of the debtor, or his discharge therein, the court may at any time upon motion enter a special judgment or decree for the plaintiff, for the amount of his debt or damages and costs, or for such other relief as he may be entitled to, to be enforced in the first instance only against the property,

estate, interest or money, so attached, or so brought within the control of the court;' by inserting after the word 'property,' in said fifteenth line the words 'estate, interest or money;' by inserting after the word 'judgment,' in the sixteenth line of said section the words 'or decree;' by inserting after the word 'execution,' in the nineteenth line of the said section the words 'or other process;' and by striking out, in the twentieth and twenty-first lines, after the word 'judgment,' the words 'for the amount thereof remaining,' and inserting in place thereof the following words: 'or decree for such portion thereof as remains.'"

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McDonald, postponed until Monday next.

#### The bills

To increase the number of associate justices of the **Bills**.  
Superior Court;

To confirm the organization and proceedings of the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company;

To establish the salaries of the first and second assistant clerks of the courts for the county of Middlesex;

To protect the shores and beaches of Boston Harbor;

To provide clerical assistance for the treasurer of the county of Bristol;

To establish the salary of the first clerk of the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture;

Making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year and for other expenses authorized by law;

To authorize the Newton and Boston Street Railway Company to increase its capital stock, extend its location, issue bonds and mortgage its property and franchise;

Providing for the consolidation of the Boston Industrial Temporary Home and the Appleton Temporary Home;

Authorizing the Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company to construct tracks upon locations granted by the selectmen of Winthrop; and

To remove the restrictions imposed upon town and city officials in respect to the time of marking shade trees for preservation;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill providing for the assignment of police officers for special services at agricultural and horticultural exhi-

Agricultural  
exhibits,  
etc., preserva-  
tion of order at.

bitions, was read a second time and considered. Mr. Thayer moved that the bill be amended by adding at the end thereof the words "and the expense of such service shall be paid by the society in behalf of which the application is made." Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Hickox, postponed until Tuesday, March 29.

New England  
Industrial  
School for  
Deaf Mutes.

The Resolve in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes, was read a second time and considered; and, pending the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Parkman, laid on the table.

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
houses of  
religious  
worship.

The Senate Bill relative to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor within four hundred feet of a building used for religious worship, was read a third time, as amended, and considered.

Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill, as amended, be further amended in section 1, by inserting in line 5, before the word "building," the word "or;" and also by striking out, in lines 6 and 7, the words "occupied in whole or in part as a place for stated religious worship."

Mr. Coveney moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 1, the word "or;" and by inserting, in line 2, after the word "third," the words "fourth or fifth."

Mr. Meade moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by inserting, in line 5, after the word "plan," the words "situated in the same street."

Pending the amendments, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Meade, postponed until Tuesday, March 29.

Trout.

The Bill to prohibit the sale of trout less than six inches long, was read a second time and considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Raymond, laid on the table.

Senate bills.

The Senate bills  
To ratify a vote of the town of Stoneham appropriating money for a celebration;

Relative to liens on buildings and land ;  
 To allow members of certain charitable and other corporations to vote by proxy ; and  
 To increase the bounty for the destruction of seals (as previously amended by the Senate) ;  
 Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.  
 Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Senate resolve.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Southwick.

The House bills  
 To establish the salary of the chief of the district police ; House bills.  
 and

To authorize the preparation for the State Library of an index of current events ; and

The House Resolve providing for finishing and furnishing the new dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester ; House resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

#### The Senate reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to forbidding the payment of the taxes of voters by political committees or persons other than those upon whom the taxes are assessed ; Senate reports.

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Warner Johnston for an amendment of the election laws to dispense with the marking of ballots and to provide for voting in sealed envelopes by ballots printed at the public expense ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to transferring the duties and powers of the city clerk of Boston, relative to elections to the board of registrars of said city ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to a revision of all laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquor ;

**Senate reports.**

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of B. B. Johnson for legislation which will more effectually prevent the use as a beverage, on the premises of licensees, other than those of the first class, of intoxicating liquors purchased on said premises ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the thirty-eighth annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the report of the secretary of the State Board of Health relative to the sale of articles containing arsenic ;  
Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**Fish and game wardens, appointment and duties of.**

The House Report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring the appointment in all cities and towns of fish and game wardens, of authorizing said wardens to serve criminal process, to make complaints and to make arrests without warrant, and of otherwise specifying the duties and qualifications of said wardens, was considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, in concurrence, it was, on motion of Mr. Simpkins, laid on the table.

**House reports.****The House reports**

Of the committee on Prisons, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to more fully limiting and controlling the industries carried on in the State prison and other penal institutions of the Commonwealth, so that interference with honest labor may be reduced to a minimum ;

Of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 371 of the Acts of the year 1891, so that one hundred prisoners may be employed in the manufacture of brushes at the house of correction in Cambridge upon the public account system ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending the present law allowing a town to impose the duties of the local board of health upon the selectmen, so that it shall be permissive only in the smaller towns ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Butler, at twenty-two minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, March 28, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Butler, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the district attorney for the Southern District ;

District attorney for Southern District, salary of.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of said city, a Bill providing for the appointment of a board of fire commissioners for the city of Malden, and defining their powers and duties ;

Malden, city of, — board of fire commissioners.

By Mr. Howard, from the committee on Labor, on an order, a Bill providing a form of complaint for violation of the laws regulating the employment of women and minors in manufacturing establishments ; and

Women and minors, employment of, in manufacturing establishments.

By Mr. Carter, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the water commissioners of said town, a Bill to authorize the town of Andover to make an additional water loan ;

Andover, town of, — water loan.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Raymond, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, entitled : “ An Act to promote the abolition of grade crossings,” by striking out the following words in the fourth section thereof : “ *Provided, however,* that if such decision involves a change in the grade of the railroad the consent of the directors of the company to such change of grade shall first be obtained ” (Messrs. Mellen and Burke, of the House, dissenting) ; and

Grade crossings.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, entitled : “ An Act to promote the abolition of grade crossings,” by strik-

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ing out in the eighth line thereof the words "directors of the company," and inserting in place thereof the words "railroad commissioners," so that the clause, as amended, shall read as follows: "*Provided, however,* that if such decision involves a change in the grade of the railroad the consent of the railroad commissioners to such change of grade shall first be obtained" (Messrs. Mellen, Burke and Hobson, of the House, dissenting);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Bills Recommended.*

Justice of  
police court of  
Newton, salary  
of.

Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Newton, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth (Mr. Clark, dissenting).

Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the bill was, on motion of Mr. Drury, by a vote of 16 to 11, recommitted to the committee on the Treasury, with instructions to report upon the merits thereof.

Justice of  
fourth district  
court of  
Eastern Middlesex, salary  
of.

The same Senator, from the same committee, reported asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the House Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex, and recommending the same be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth (Mr. Clark, dissenting).

Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the bill was, on motion of Mr. Wyer, recommitted to the committee on the Treasury, with instructions to report upon the merits thereof.

Justice of  
police court  
of Williamstown, salary of.

The same Senator, from the same committee, reported asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the House Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth (Mr. Clark, dissenting).

Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the bill was, on motion of Mr. Drury, recommitted to the committee on the Treasury, with instructions to report upon the merits thereof.



*Committee Discharged.*

Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Senate Bill to establish an asylum for the chronic insane, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Expenditures ;

Chronic insane,  
asylum for.

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence in the reference.

*Petition.*

Mr. Howard presented a petition of Elizabeth Ashworth and others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours a week, — which was referred to the committee on Labor.

Women and  
children, hours  
of labor of.

Sent down for concurrence.

TAKEN FROM THE TABLE.

On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, the House Report of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the fifth annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons, relating to prison labor, was taken from the table and considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance thereof, in concurrence, the report was, on further motion of the same Senator, recommitted.

General Super-  
intendent of  
Prisons, report  
of, on prison  
labor.

On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, the House Report of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the fourteenth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women, was taken from the table and considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance thereof, in concurrence, the report was, on further motion of the same Senator, recommitted.

Reformatory  
Prison for  
Women.

Severally sent down for concurrence in the recommitment.

On motion of Mr. Ray, the Senate Bill to require railroad companies to maintain crossings to give access to lands cut off by railroads, was taken from the table and considered ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until to-morrow.

Railroad  
crossings to  
private lands.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Bills

Concord, town of, — town donations.

To provide a board of trustees of town donations of the town of Concord ;

Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts.

Relative to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts ;

Seamen, protection of.

For the better protection of seamen ; and

False trade-marks, etc., use of.

To prevent the use of false trade-marks, labels and stamps ;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Certain records, re-recording of.

A Bill to provide for the re-recording of certain records (on an order), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Evergreen Cemetery Association at Stoughton.

A Bill to incorporate the Evergreen Cemetery Association of Stoughton (on the petition of Newton Talbot and others), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

## Reports

Free passes

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to preventing the issue by railroad corporations to legislative, judicial or executive officers of any ticket entitling them to transportation at a less rate of fare than is demanded of the public generally ;

School superintendents.

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to increasing the allowance to districts that employ school superintendents ;

Elections, — registrars of voters.

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that the board of registrars of voters in cities shall have the charge and control of all voting places, appointment of precinct officers and of all election machinery ;

Wild fowl in Waquoit Bay, Falmouth, protection of.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Jonathan H. Jones and others for legislation for the better protection of wild fowl on their feeding ground in Waquoit Bay, Falmouth ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate :

Intoxicating liquors, — granting of licenses.

On the order relative to requiring a triennial instead of an annual vote in the cities and towns of this Commonwealth on the question of granting liquor licenses ; and

Id.

On the order relative to amending the clause pertaining to the sale of intoxicating liquors, in lines 17 and 18 of

section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so as to read : " Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this city (or town) not exceeding one for each five hundred of the population?;" or of amending said section in such other manner as to make it possible to properly submit the question to the voters of each town and city, whether one license shall be granted for each five hundred of the population ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Pension Agent ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind ;

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary :

On the 36th annual report of the trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital ; and

On the report of the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater for the year ending Sept. 30, 1891 ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John F. Fitzgerald and others that the grade crossings of the Boston and Maine Railroad on Causeway street and Travers street may be abolished ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence :—

A petition of E. H. Reed and others that the present lien law be so amended or altered that a lien may attach for materials as well as labor ;

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

A petition of the selectmen and others for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petitions of James Leach and others ; Thomas Roberts and others ; William Lennon and others ; W. F. Kennedy and others ; Benjamin Forster and others ; Annie Kerso and others ; P. H. Murphy and others ; Richard Sullivan and others ; I. R. B. Newton and others ; James

State Pension Agent, report of.

Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind,—report of trustees.

Northampton Lunatic Hospital,—report of trustees.

State Farm at Bridgewater,—report of trustees.

Boston & Maine Railroad,—grade crossings at Causeway and Travers streets.

Liens.

Constitutional amendment,—division of towns.

Women and children, hours of labor of.

Owen and others; Mary Welch and others; Ellen Cockcroft and others; Samuel Tattersall and others; Mary Leary and others; James Connell and others; Stephen Hill and others; F. A. Spencer and others; Katie Jenkins and others; Eli Paquin and others; W. H. Pemberton and others; E. L. Lagorell and others; John Fitzgerald and others; Edward Kirkham and others; George J. Wheeler and others; Rebecca Cowell and others; W. H. Washurst and others; F. Sullivan and others; Alfred Wood and others; and Samuel Pilkington and others, — severally, for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours a week;

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Municipal coal  
yards.

Petitions of N. W. Green and others; Louis Schwörer and others; M. Olsen and others; J. H. Finch and others; Edwin F. Carr and others; John Deyo and others; M. W. Landers and others; L. M. Jenkins and others; Ivers Gibbs and others; C. E. Sanger and others; Thomas F. Flynn and others; S. H. Ackerman and others; Mrs. Thomas Clinton and others; J. A. Hamilton and others; William T. Wyman and others; C. E. Abbott and others; George A. Spencer and others; Samuel Deacon and others; Alexander Campbell and others; Barbara Brown and others; and Thomas Hanigan and others, — severally, for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

#### *House Order.*

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Manufactures,  
committee on.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Manufactures be authorized to travel to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, also within the Commonwealth, in the discharge of their duties.

#### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
transportation  
of, by common  
carriers.

The Senate Bill to further regulate the transportation of intoxicating liquors by common carriers and others, was considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

On the point of order raised by Mr. Coveney, the President ruled as follows : —

The Senator from Suffolk, Mr. Coveney, raises the point of order that the bill is beyond the scope of the petition upon which it is based, in that, while the petitioners asked that further restrictions might be placed upon the transportation and delivery of intoxicating liquors in towns and cities which "have not voted to grant liquor licenses" of the first five classes, the bill imposes restrictions upon transportation and delivery in towns and cities "where licenses of the first five classes have not been granted ;" also because the petitioners asked for restrictions in towns and cities which have not voted to grant liquor licenses, while the bill places restrictions on liquor sold in all towns and cities.

*Ruling by  
President.*

The petitioners, while using the words quoted by the Senator from Suffolk in assigning a reason why the bill should be laid aside, evidently intended that the requested legislation should apply to all cities and towns wherein the sale of intoxicating liquor is not authorized by law, for their prayer is accompanied by the statement "that we make this petition because we find that common carriers and pretended common carriers nullify the no-license vote in our municipalities by supplying intoxicating liquor to almost every one who wishes to purchase." If the application of the pending bill had, in exact terms, been limited to towns and cities which have not voted to grant liquor licenses of the first five classes its provisions would clearly have been within the purposes of the petition, and the Chair is asked to rule that the substitution of the phrase "where licenses of the first five classes have not been granted," for the words contained in the original petition, as above recited, extends the operation of the bill beyond the scope of such petition.

Section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes provides, in part, that "In a city which at its annual municipal election, or in a town which at its annual meeting, votes to authorize the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, as hereafter provided, licenses of the first five classes mentioned in section ten (of that act) and in any city or town licenses of the sixth class mentioned in said section, may be granted annually by the mayor and aldermen of cities or the selectmen of towns to persons applying therefor." The said chapter further defines the

method of voting upon the question of granting licenses and the terms and conditions upon which licenses shall be issued, and also, among other things, provides for certain police regulations of the traffic in intoxicating liquors. Section 17 of said chapter reads as follows: "No person shall bring into a city or town, in which licenses of the first five classes are not granted, any spirituous or intoxicating liquor, with intent to sell the same himself, or to have the same sold by another, or having reasonable cause to believe that the same is intended to be sold in violation of law, and any liquor transported contrary to the provisions of this section shall be forfeited to the Commonwealth, but this section shall not apply to the transportation of spirituous liquor through a town to a place beyond."

It is apparent, from a comparison of the two sections referred to, that the words used in the first named are not intended to, — and do not, in fact, — conflict with the provisions of the other, which refers to cities and towns in which licenses of the first five classes are not granted; but that said sections and the language contained therein must be construed as a part of a general law which, in the first instance, requires cities and towns to vote annually upon the question "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this city (or town)?" and, in the second, provides a penalty for the transportation of liquor for the purposes of sale into any city or town refusing to grant such license, the evident purpose being to protect such towns from the invasion of unlicensed vendors. The contemplated legislation would, in effect, extend the prohibitory provisions of said section 17, and the bill contains almost the precise words of such section. It is not to be expected that applicants for legislation will always present petitions prepared with technical accuracy, nor should they be required to conform to the precise rules of legal pleading. Such petitions should be liberally construed. It is sufficient if the purpose of the application is clearly set forth, and the committee to which it is referred is authorized to report any bill, not beyond the purpose of the petitioners' prayer, "connected with and growing out of the subject so referred" (Cushing, § 1906); and while the committee confines the result of its action within the scope of such subject-matter, the treatment thereof rests with it. The bill reported evidently seeks such results, and while the sentence objected to in the first sec-

tion of the bill is not couched in the exact language of the petition, it is not, in the opinion of the Chair, such a departure therefrom as would require the bill to be laid aside.

Especially is this true when sentences almost identical with those in question are harmoniously used in the Public Statutes relative to the issue of licenses for and the sale of intoxicating liquors. The second reason assigned by the Senator from Suffolk why the bill is beyond the scope of the petition, is alike insufficient. The bill must be construed as a whole, and its intent and application gathered from a fair interpretation of its several parts. Applying this established principle of construction to the pending bill, it does not clearly appear that its provisions are applicable to any class of cities or towns other than those recited in the first section thereof. The concluding paragraph of the first section must be read in connection with those which precede it, and when so read the limitation is such as, in the opinion of the Chair, would confine its provisions within the legitimate purpose of the petition. The only remaining portion of the bill to which the objection raised by the Senator can be construed to apply is the third section, which appears to be imperfectly drawn. Its somewhat ambiguous provisions might, if standing alone, be open to the construction contended for; but, applying to them the principle of interpretation above set forth, and construing the provisions of this section with those of other portions of the bill, it cannot be said that its provisions are in conflict with such other sections, or that they violate any rule of parliamentary practice by unduly extending the prayer of the petitioners.

The suggestion that city or town authorities do not always comply with the wishes of the majority of the voters, as expressed at the polls, may become a sufficient cause for judicial or legislative action, but can hardly be invoked as a reason why the pending bill should be laid aside.

The determination of the question submitted has not been free from difficulty, but the Chair has endeavored to arrive at such conclusions as will protect the privileges of the petitioners while confining the results thereof within proper limitations.

The Chair is of the opinion that the bill is not beyond the scope of the petitions upon which it is based, and rules that the point of order is not well taken.

By a vote of 12 to 13, the bill was then refused a third reading.

Intoxicating  
liquors, sale of,  
at summer  
resorts.

The Bill in relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts, was considered, amended, as moved by Mr. Champlin, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The bills

To incorporate the Nathan Slade Cemetery Association ;  
Relating to the returns of fines, forfeitures, costs, fees and moneys by county treasurers ;

Regulating the use of embalming fluid in cases where persons are supposed to have come to their death by violence ;

In reference to the return days of writs issued by trial justices, and district, police and municipal courts ; and

To enable the Benevolent Fraternity of Churches in the city of Boston to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Northampton,  
city of, — grade  
crossings.

The Bill relative to the abolition of certain grade crossings in the city of Northampton, was read a second time ; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Mott, laid on the table.

Cremation.

The House Bill authorizing the formation of corporations for advocating cremation and for the cremating of the bodies of their deceased members, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

Senate bills.

The Senate bills

To increase the number of associate justices of the Superior Court ;

To confirm the organization and proceedings of the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company ; and

To establish the salaries of the first and second assistant clerks of the courts for the county of Middlesex ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Boston Harbor.

The Senate Bill to protect the shores and beaches of Boston Harbor, was read a third time, amended, on motion



of Mr. Simpkins, by striking out section 4, and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill relating to special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors, was considered, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Bankrupt and insolvent debtors, special judgments against.

The House Bill providing for a separate docket for equity cases in the Superior Court in the counties of Middlesex and Suffolk, was read a third time and considered. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by the substitution of a new draft, entitled: "An Act relating to the equity docket of the Superior Court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex." The amendment was adopted and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Superior Court for Middlesex and Suffolk counties, separate docket for

The House bills

To provide clerical assistance for the treasurer of the county of Bristol;

House bills.

To establish the salary of the first clerk of the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture;

Making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year and for other expenses authorized by law;

To authorize the Newton and Boston Street Railway Company to increase its capital stock, extend its location, issue bonds and mortgage its property and franchise;

Providing for the consolidation of the Boston Industrial Temporary Home and the Appleton Temporary Home; and

Relating to the time of marking shade trees for their preservation (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The question on concurring in the adoption of the House amendments to the Senate Bill relating to the public cemeteries in the city of Woburn, — striking out, in section 2, line 17, the word "removal," and inserting in place thereof the word "renewal;" also inserting in

Woburn, city of, — public cemeteries.

section 3, line 2, after the word "amended," the words "by striking out the word 'town,' in the first line thereof, and inserting in place thereof the word 'city,' also," — was considered. On motion of Mr. Simpkins, the amendment to section 3 was amended by striking out the word "line," and inserting in place thereof the words "and eighth lines." The amendments were then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

#### The House reports

##### House reports.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 426 of the Acts of the year 1888, and chapter 307 of the year 1890, so as to provide for the better protection of human life in case of fire ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to so amending section 1 of chapter 426 of the Acts of the year 1888, as to provide that safe ways of egress from a burning structure to the ground shall be required, by means of incombustible stairways, enclosed by fire-proof walls, either inside or outside of all such buildings ;

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Ethan Brooks and others that no person convicted in this Commonwealth of a crime shall for a limited time thereafter have the right of suffrage ;

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in the election of senators and representatives ;

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing for the examination and certification of teachers by State authority ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of the returns made by city and town clerks in accordance with the requirements of section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, showing the number of licenses issued for the sale of intoxicating liquors, etc. ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, no legislation necessary, on so much of the seventh annual report of the board of police of the city of Boston as relates to the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill relating to the sale and use of spirituous and intoxicating liquors (introduced on leave) ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill relating to the sale and use of spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and permitting unrestricted sale when a city or town votes in favor of free liquor (introduced on leave) ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill relating to licensing the sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage (introduced on leave) ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William H. Yates, for legislation to prevent the employment of women on premises where intoxicating liquors are sold ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that the prescription and sale of intoxicating liquors be subjected to the restrictions and limitations that now apply to poisons, in accordance with the provisions of sections 1, 2 and 3 of chapter 209 of the Acts of the year 1888 ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relating to the number of licenses to be granted, by inserting after the word " Boston," in the eighth line of section 1, the words " and in any city so voting at its annual municipal election or town so voting at its annual meeting ;"

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the forty-fourth annual report of the Trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded ;

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of William Lloyd Garrison and others for the collection of all public revenue from the land by a single tax on its site rental value ; and

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of T. C. Brophy and others for a law granting the free use of halls owned by towns and cities for meetings of citizens ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Massachusetts  
State Prison.

The House Report of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison, was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance thereof, in concurrence, the report was, on motion of Mr. Eaton, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at twenty-nine minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, Lotteries.  
on two orders and the petition of N. Matthews, Jr., a  
Bill relating to lotteries and policy lotteries ;

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, Supreme  
Judicial  
Court, decisions  
of.  
that the House Bill to amend chapter 471 of the Acts of  
the year 1889, entitled : " An Act to provide for a con-  
tinuation of the publication of the decisions of the Su-  
preme Judicial Court," ought to pass, in a new draft,  
entitled : " An Act to establish the salary of the reporter  
of decisions of the Supreme Judicial Court and to pro-  
vide clerk hire and incidental expenses ; "

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Election Election officers  
in towns,  
returns of.  
Laws, on an order, a Bill providing for the examination  
and correction of returns of election officers in towns  
divided into voting precincts ;

By Mr. Dame, from the committee on Fisheries and Marion, town  
of, — scallops.  
Game, on an order and the petition of the selectmen of  
said town, a Bill relating to the taking of scallops in the  
waters of the town of Marion ;

By Mr. Gilman, from the committee on Mercantile Edison Electric  
Illuminating  
Company.  
Affairs, on the petition of the same, a Bill to authorize  
the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston to  
increase its capital stock ; and

By Mr. Shaw, from the committee on Street Railways, Lowell, Law-  
rence and  
Haverhill  
Street Railway  
Company.  
on the petition of Charles W. Morse and others, and sun-  
dry petitions in aid thereof, a Bill to incorporate the  
Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for  
to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Fernald, from the joint special committee on Public reserva-  
tions.  
Public Reservations, on the petitions of the trustees of  
Public Reservations and others, a Bill to promote the lay-

ing out of open spaces for the use and enjoyment of the public ;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

**Mechanics' lien laws.**

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to so amending the mechanics' lien laws of this Commonwealth that the same shall be uniform as to all parties, whether performing or furnishing labor or materials, and so that the same shall afford the same protection to all parties performing or furnishing labor or materials ;

**Massachusetts District Police, report of chief of, on violations of fish and game laws.**

By Mr. Dame, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the chief of the Massachusetts district police as relates to violations of the fish and game laws, and recommendations of amendment thereof ; and

**Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game, report of.**

By the same Senator, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

#### *Motion to Reconsider.*

**Intoxicating liquors, transportation of, by common carriers.**

Mr. Champlin moved that the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Senate Bill to further regulate the transportation of intoxicating liquors by common carriers and others,— be reconsidered, and this motion was lost.

#### *Taken from the Table.*

**Gas, manufacture and sale of.**

On motion of Mr. Baker, the report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners on the subject of the manufacture and sale of gas by the Boston Gas Company, made in accordance with the instructions of the General Court, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Manufactures.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### *Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred :—

**West Stock-bridge, town of, — money for school purposes.**

By Mr. Kimball, a petition of the secretary of the State Board of Education that the school district repre-

sented by the towns of West Stockbridge, Richmond, Egremont, Sheffield and New Marlborough may receive the sum of \$1,000 as authorized by chapter 431 of the Acts of the year 1888, notwithstanding the failure of the town of West Stockbridge to raise the necessary amount of money required for school purposes ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Smith, a petition of J. Hemenway and others for the passage of a resolution that the exhibit from Massachusetts at the World's Columbian Exposition shall not be open on Sunday ;

World's Columbian Exposition, — exhibit from Massachusetts to be closed on Sunday.

To the committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Howard, a petition of Mrs. William Byard and others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor for women and children to fifty-six hours a week ;

Women and children, hours of labor of.

To the committee on Labor.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

### *Order Laid Over.*

Mr. Baker presented the following order ; and the consideration thereof was, at the request of Mr. Parkman, postponed until to-morrow : —

*Ordered*, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature within ten days from the passage of this order, as follows : —

1. As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

2. As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

3. As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purposes of this order, the Commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Smith, —

Election Laws,  
committee on,  
clerical assist-  
ance.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws be authorized to employ clerical assistance.

Sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Bills

Horse racing.

Relating to the entry and driving of horses at places where purses or premiums are competed for (on the petition of Charles Dana Palmer and others) ;

Private labels,  
etc., counter-  
feiting of.

To prevent the counterfeiting of private labels, stamps and trade-marks ;

Witness fees.

To reduce witness fees and other costs where two or more cases are tried together ; and

Grade cross-  
ings, damages  
incurred by  
alteration of.

To authorize cities and towns to incur indebtedness for the purpose of paying damages occasioned by the taking of land for the alteration of grade crossings (on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Warren) ;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Suffolk, county  
of, — clerical  
assistance for  
register of pro-  
bate and  
insolvency.

A Bill relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Owen Dolan.

A Resolve in favor of Owen Dolan (on the petition of the same), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

## Bills

License com-  
missions, ap-  
pointment of.  
Northbridge,  
town of, —  
Division 19, A.  
O. H.

To provide for the appointment of license commissions in the several cities of the Commonwealth (on an order) ;

To authorize Division No. 19, Ancient Order of Hibernians of Northbridge to hold real and personal estate and mortgage the same (on the petition of the same) ;

Reading, town  
of, — water  
loan.

To authorize the town of Reading to make an additional water loan (on the petition of the water commissioners of said town) ;

Attorney-Gen-  
eral, official  
opinion of.

Authorizing certain boards and commissions to require the opinion of the Attorney-General (on the annual report of the Attorney-General, in part) ; and



Giving trial justices jurisdiction of cases of drunkenness (on the annual report of the Attorney-General, in part); Drunkenness,—jurisdiction of trial justices.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

### Reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of a special committee of the Boston Associated Board of Trade and others for such modification of the law of attachments as will more securely guard the rights of defendants; Defendants, rights of.

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing that ballots thrown at any election and in the custody of city and town clerks, according to the provisions of law, shall, at any time, be brought into court by such clerks upon the order of the judge, to be used at any trial for offences against the election laws; Election laws,—ballots.

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 81 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing for an increase in the weight of the paper furnished for ballots, or that paper specially prepared for the purpose shall be furnished by the Secretary of State for use at all State, city and town elections; Id.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 6 of chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, as amended by chapter 254 of the Acts of the year 1891, by inserting after the words "steam launch," in the tenth line thereof the words "steam yacht or other boat or vessel propelled by steam;" Wild fowl and game.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the Resolve granting an allowance to the Thirty-fifth Massachusetts Regiment Association (taken from the files of last year); Thirty-fifth Massachusetts Regiment Association.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the 38th annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury; State Almshouse at Tewksbury,—report of trustees.

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to preventing the manufacture or sale of articles of household or personal use containing arsenic, where such articles may be dangerous to the health of the community; Arsenic.

Boston, city of,  
— application of  
civil service  
rules.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward Quirk that the rules of the Civil Service Commission may be more clearly defined, and a more equitable recognition of applicants for employment in any of the departments of the city of Boston may be secured ;

Railroad cor-  
porations,  
annual reports  
of.

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to repealing section 82 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the payment of a fee by railroad corporations for printing their annual reports ;

Mortgages,  
taxation of.

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate ;

On the order relative to amending sections 13, 14, 15 and 16 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, so that the interest of the mortgagee in the real estate exempt from taxation under the third and seventh clauses of section 5 of said chapter, shall be exempt from taxation, under the laws of this Commonwealth ; and

Poll taxes, col-  
lection of.

On the order relative to providing that poll taxes may be collected on demand without previous notice ; and

Barre, town of,  
— water supply.

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Elihu T. Sawyer and others of the town of Barre for authority to take water for a water supply, and to organize a water supply district in said town ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Justice and  
clerk of the  
third district  
court of East-  
ern Middlesex,  
salary of.

A Report of the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the three orders relative to increasing the salary of the justice and clerk of the third district court of Eastern Middlesex, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Special judge  
of probate and  
insolvency for  
Suffolk County.

An order relative to providing for the appointment of a special judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk ; and an order relative to providing an associate justice for the court of probate and insolvency for Suffolk County (from the further consideration of which the House committee on Probate and Insolvency had been discharged), came up, the subject-matter thereof having been referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth ; and the Senate concurred in the reference.

*Annual Report.*

The 39th annual report of the secretary of the Massachusetts Board of Agriculture, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Agriculture.

State Board of Agriculture,—report of secretary.

Notice was received from the House that the Bill relating to the exemption of houses of religious worship from taxation (taken from the files of last year) ; and

Houses of religious worship, exemption of, from taxation.

The Bill regulating the sale and purchase of poisons (introduced on leave),—had severally been rejected by that branch.

Poisons, sale of.

*House Petitions, etc.*

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of William O. Faxon and others of the town of Stoughton that a vote of said town relative to purchasing the property of the Stoughton Water Company may be legalized,—and the same was returned to the House for its action.

Stoughton, town of,—town meeting.

The following House petitions, etc., were severally referred, in concurrence :—

A resolution of the common council of the city of Boston in aid of the petition of John F. Fitzgerald and others that said city may be authorized to borrow \$500,000 outside the debt limit for public park purposes at the North End ;

Boston, city of,—public park at the North End.

To the committee on Cities.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the passage of an act to authorize the city of Boston to indemnify citizens for any loss or damage they may sustain while assisting a police officer in the performance of police duty ; and

Boston, city of,—assistance to police officers.

A petition of the board of health of the city of Lynn for legislation authorizing the appointment and control of an inspector of provisions by said board ;

Lynn, city of,—inspector of provisions.

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each case, to the committee on Cities.

A petition of the town officers of Monterey and others for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Constitutional amendment,—division of towns.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Paper mill  
employees,  
hours of labor  
of.

Petitions of J. A. Glennon and others; C. S. Smith and others; C. E. King and others; A. Martin and others; J. H. Hancock and others; C. E. Potter and others; Edward Blaney and others; and C. H. Harvey and others,—severally, for regulation of the hours of labor of paper mill employees;

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Melrose, town  
of,—town hall  
bonds.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Melrose that said town may be authorized to refund a portion of its town hall bonds; and

Peabody, town  
of,—refunding  
portion of  
liquor license  
fee.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Peabody that said town may be authorized to refund to the heirs of John Keefe a portion of the amount paid by said Keefe for a liquor license;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each case, to the committee on Towns.

Melrose, town  
of,—water  
debt.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Melrose that said town may be authorized to refund a portion of its water fund bonds;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Railroad  
crossings.

The Senate Bill to require railroad companies to maintain crossings to give access to lands cut off by railroads, was considered, amended, on motion of Mr. Ray, by striking out, in section 2, lines 3 and 6, the word “thirty,” and inserting in place thereof the word “ninety,” and, as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Raw wool.

The Senate Report of the committee on Federal Relations, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to urging the Senators from Massachusetts in Congress to vote for such legislation as will reduce or entirely remove the duties upon raw wool, was considered, the question being on the acceptance thereof. Mr. Butler moved that the report be amended by the substitution of “Resolutions in favor of free raw wool.”

Mr. McEttrick moved that these resolutions be amended by the substitution of “Resolutions in favor

of the reduction or removal of the duties on raw wool," and this amendment was rejected.

The amendment moved by Mr. Butler was adopted by a vote of 1 to 0 (a quorum being present) and the resolutions were substituted, read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The Bill providing for the assignment of police officers for special service at agricultural and horticultural exhibitions, was considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Thayer, was rejected, by a vote of 5 to 10 (a quorum being present). The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Agricultural exhibits, etc., preservation of order at.

The Bill relative to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor within four hundred feet of a building used for religious worship, was considered, the main question being on passing the bill to be engrossed. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Coveney, was rejected.

Intoxicating liquor, — houses of religious worship.

The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Meade, and that recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally adopted.

On motion of Mr. McNary, by a vote of 16 to 10, the bill was further amended in section 1, as previously amended, by inserting after the words "for stated religious worship," the words "the measurement to be made from the centre of one building to the centre of the other." On further motion of the same Senator, the bill was, by a vote of 16 to 14, further amended in the same section, by adding at the end thereof the words "and provided further that the above restrictions shall not apply to buildings in which liquor is now lawfully sold."

On motion of Mr. Thayer, the bill, as amended, was then referred to the next General Court.

#### The bills

Providing for the appointment of a board of fire commissioners for the city of Malden, and defining their powers and duties ;

Bills.

To authorize the town of Andover to make an additional water loan ;

Providing a form of complaint for violation of the laws regulating the employment of women and minors in manufacturing establishments ; and

**Bill.** To incorporate the Evergreen Cemetery Association of Stoughton;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Senate bills.** The Senate bills  
To incorporate the Nathan Slade Cemetery Association ; and

Relating to the returns of fines, forfeitures, costs, fees and moneys by county treasurers ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**House bills.** The House bills  
Regulating the use of embalming fluid in cases where persons are supposed to have come to their death by violence ; and

In reference to the return days of writs issued by trial justices, and district, police and municipal courts ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**House reports.** The House reports  
Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to preventing the issue by railroad corporations to legislative, judicial or executive officers of any ticket entitling them to transportation at a less rate of fare than is demanded of the public generally ;

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to increasing the allowance to districts that employ school superintendents ;

Of the committee on the Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that boards of registrars of voters in cities shall have the charge and control of all voting places, appointment of precinct officers, and of all election machinery ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Jonathan H. Jones and others for legislation for the better protection of wild fowl on their feeding ground in Waquoit Bay, Falmouth ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring a triennial instead of an annual vote in the cities and towns of this Commonwealth on the question of granting liquor licenses ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending the clause pertaining to the sale of intoxicating liquors, in lines 17 and 18 of section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so as to read: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this city (or town) not exceeding one for each five hundred of the population?;" or of amending said section in such other manner as to make it possible to properly submit the question to the voters of each town and city, whether one license shall be granted for each five hundred of the population;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Pension Agent;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the 36th annual report of the trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater for the year ending Sept. 30, 1891; and

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John F. Fitzgerald and others that the grade crossings of the Boston and Maine Railroad on Causeway street and Travers street may be abolished;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at ten minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, March 30, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

Owen Dolan.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Resolve in favor of Owen Dolan, ought to pass ;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Boston, city of,  
— widening  
Walter Street.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of said city, a Bill to authorize the widening of Walter Street in the city of Boston and the taking of a part of a private burial ground therefor ; and

Everett, town  
of, — water  
supply.

By Mr. Wyer, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the same, a Bill to authorize the town of Everett to issue scrip or bonds for the purpose of extending and improving its system of water supply ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

County com-  
missioners of  
Essex County,  
salaries of.

By Mr. Baker, from the committee on Public Service, on the petition of the same, a Bill to establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Essex ;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

*Report.*

State commis-  
sions.

A report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, was received. On motion of Mr. Butler, so much thereof as relates to manual training and industrial education, was referred to the committee on Education ; and the residue thereof was referred to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.

Sent down for concurrence.



*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. Coveney, the Senate Bill to incorporate the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company, was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kimball, the Senate Bill relative to the abolition of certain grade crossings in the city of Northampton, was taken from the table; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until to-morrow to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

Northampton, city of, — grade crossings.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Smith, a petition of the town officers of Hadley and others for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Simpkins, petitions of George H. Loring and others ; Charles F. Swift and others ; and Eben B. Crocker and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation for building a ship canal across Cape Cod at Bass River ;

Cape Cod Ship Canal, — Bass River Canal.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

**Bills**

To enable the Holyhood Cemetery Association to take, hold, sell and convey certain real estate ; and

Holyhood Cemetery Association.

For the prevention of cruelty to children ;

Children, prevention of cruelty to.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

**Bills**

To establish the salary of the associate medical examiner of the county of Suffolk (on an order) ; and

Associate medical examiner of Suffolk County, salary of.

Soldiers and sailors, burial of, in certain cases.

Providing for the payment by the Commonwealth of the burial expenses of soldiers and sailors dying in State institutions (on an order) ; and

#### Resolves

Betsey Worthington.

In favor of Betsey Worthington (on the petition of the selectmen and others of the town of Agawam) ;

Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates.

Providing for repairs, current expenses and the further equipment of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (on the annual report of the trustees thereof) ;

Map of Massachusetts, — congressional districts.

Providing for the printing and distribution of copies of the map showing the division of the Commonwealth into congressional districts (on two orders) ;

State Normal School at Framingham.

Providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Framingham (introduced on leave in the House) ; and

Normal Art School Building.

Providing for the finishing of the exterior of the Normal Art School building (on an order) ;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

#### Bills

Fire District No. 1 of North Attleborough.

To authorize Fire District No. 1 of North Attleborough to make an additional water loan (on the petitions of the officers thereof) ;

Brookline, town of, — grade crossing over Boston and Albany Railroad.

To provide for the abolition of the grade crossing of St. Mary's Street in Brookline and the Boston and Albany Railroad (on the petition of the directors of said railroad) ;

West Congregational Society of Warren.

To ratify the proceedings of the West Congregational Society of Warren (on the petition of Edward Fairbanks) ;

Plymouth County Railroad Company.

To incorporate the Plymouth County Railroad Company (on the petitions of Eugene H. Clapp and others) ; and

Abington, town of, — water debt.

To authorize the town of Abington to issue bonds for the purpose of meeting a portion of its water debt as the same matures (on the petition of the water commissioners of said town) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

#### Reports

Election laws, — registration of ballots.

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to elections, by striking out so much thereof as relates to the self-registering of ballots deposited in the ballot boxes furnished by the

Secretary of the Commonwealth and used at all elections held within said Commonwealth ;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Enos T. Luce, justice of the second district court of Eastern Middlesex, for an increase of salary ; and

Justice of second district court of Eastern Middlesex, salary of.

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that towns, for the purpose of constructing ways and locating anew, altering and widening existing ways, with a view to the wants of the future, may incur a debt beyond the legal debt limit, and repayable within a period not exceeding fifty years ;

Highways in towns.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petitions of Tully Crosby and others ; B. E. Holland and others ; W. H. Baxter and others ; Bernard M. Sheridan and others ; Warren Sears and others ; and Charles C. Crocker and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation for building a ship canal across Cape Cod at Bass River ;

Cape Cod Ship Canal at Bass River.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Petitions of A. E. Beck and others ; E. T. Ranagan and others ; Thomas F. Scanlan and others ; Hermann J. Morrison and others ; Thomas H. Meade and others ; J. F. Maguire and others ; H. W. Wrisley and others ; P. L. Newins and others ; David S. Banks and others ; M. S. Ayer and others ; James D. Kelly and others ; A. Z. Washburn and others ; C. P. Farwell and others ; Edwin McDonough and others ; Charles G. Ellis and others ; J. W. Coverly and others ; Robert Treat Paine and others ; J. Pickering Putnam and others ; George C. Perry and others ; G. W. Stanley and others ; Levi Flanders and others ; D. M. Anthony and others ; C. W. Sawyer and others ; R. J. Lombard and others ; E. A. Kingman and others ; C. H. Weston and others ; E. Forsaith and others ; L. L. Leighton and others ; J. S. Hastings and others ; Lot Berry and others ; John B. Driscoll and

Municipal coal yards.

others; Patrick F. Derby and others; and Luther N. Smith and others, — severally, for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

Relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of county commissioner;

Extending the time for arranging and indexing the files and records in the office of the register of probate for the county of Hampshire;

Relative to the revocation of a will on the marriage of the testator;

To regulate the rates of pilotage for landing places in the town of Winthrop;

Providing for the construction of additional piers for the support of Rocks Bridge and for repairs of said bridge; and

Giving the probate courts concurrent jurisdiction with the Supreme Judicial Court in equity in relation to trusts.

Resolves passed,  
etc.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of George A. Barnard (which originated in the Senate), was passed, and, with the above-named bills, was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

The following order, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was considered, and, pending the question on the adoption thereof, it was, on motion of Mr. Baker, laid on the table, to wit: —

Gas.

*Ordered,* That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature, within ten days from the passage of this order, as follows: —

1. As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

2. As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

3. As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas

Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purposes of this order, the Commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate refused to reject the Bill for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and the same was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Persons wrongfully arrested, compensation of.

The House Bill in relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts, was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate. On motion of Mr. Thayer, the bill was further amended in section 1, as follows: In line 17, by striking out the words "one week," and inserting in place thereof the words "three days;" by striking out the words "may receive applications, investigate and publish during the month of June, and" (previously inserted by the Senate by amendment, after the word "selectmen," in line 41); and also by inserting, after the word "may," in the same line, the words "during the month of June, receive applications for such licenses and investigate and publish the same; and may." The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Intoxicating liquor, sale of, at summer resorts.

### *The bills*

To authorize the Edison Electric Illuminating Company BILL. of Boston to increase its capital stock;

Providing for the examination and correction of returns of election officers in towns divided into voting precincts;

To establish the salary of the reporter of decisions of the Supreme Judicial Court and to provide clerk hire and incidental expenses;

To incorporate the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company;

Relating to the taking of scallops in the waters of the town of Marion;

Relating to lotteries and policy lotteries;

**Bills.**

To authorize Division No. 19, Ancient Order of Hibernians of Northbridge to hold real and personal estate and mortgage the same ;

To authorize the town of Reading to make an additional water loan ;

Authorizing certain boards and commissions to require the opinion of the Attorney-General ; and

Giving trial justices jurisdiction of cases of drunkenness ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

License commissioners, appointment of, in cities.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of license commissioners in the several cities of the Commonwealth, was read a second time. Mr. Meade moved that the bill be amended by striking out section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following new section :  
*" Sect. 3. This act shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the cities and towns of this Commonwealth for acceptance at the next annual municipal election and the affirmative votes of a majority of the voters present and voting thereon shall be required for its acceptance."*

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Champlin, laid on the table.

**Senate bills.**

The Senate bills

Providing for the assignment of police officers for special service at agricultural and horticultural exhibitions ;

Providing for the appointment of a board of fire commissioners for the city of Malden, and defining their powers and duties ; and

To authorize the town of Andover to make an additional water loan ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**House bill.**

The House Bill to incorporate the Evergreen Cemetery Association of Stoughton, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**Raw wool.**

The Senate Resolutions in favor of raw free wool, were considered, the question being on the adoption thereof.

**Point of Order.**

Mr. McEttrick rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that the resolutions were beyond the scope of the order upon which they were based, and therefore should not be entertained.

The President ruled that deliberate action had been taken on the resolutions at the previous session, that, after protracted discussion, the resolutions had, by amendment, been substituted for the report of the committee on Federal Relations, and that it was therefore too late to entertain the point of order. Ruling by President.

Mr. McNary moved that the resolutions be amended by substituting therefor "Resolutions in favor of placing wool on the free list," and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
McEttrick, Michael J.

Messrs. McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Thayer, John R.—13.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F.—18.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. James W. McDonald,  
Mr. Eben S. Stevens (present),  
Mr. William H. Carberry (present),  
Mr. Robert Howard (present),

## NAYS.

Mr. Arthur B. Champlin (present).  
Mr. Francis P. Arnold.  
Mr. John Read (Middlesex).  
Mr. B. Marvin Fernald.—8.

So the amendment was rejected.

The resolutions were then rejected.

The Senate Report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, entitled: "An Act to promote the abolition of grade crossings," by striking out the following words in the fourth section thereof: "*Provided, however,* that if such decision involves a change in the grade of the railroad the consent of the directors of the company to such change of grade shall Grade crossings.

first be obtained," — was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Raymond, laid on the table.

**Grade crossings.**

The Senate Report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, entitled: "An Act to promote the abolition of grade crossings," by striking out in the eighth line thereof the words "directors of the company," and inserting in place thereof the words "railroad commissioners," so that the clause, as amended, shall read as follows: "*provided, however,* that if such decision involves a change in the grade of the railroad the consent of the railroad commissioners to such change of grade shall first be obtained," — was considered.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, the report was amended by the substitution of a "Bill to amend an Act to promote the abolition of grade crossings," and the same was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

**The Senate reports**

**Senate reports.**

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the chief of the Massachusetts district police as relates to violations of the fish and game laws, and recommendations of amendment thereof; and

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**Senate report.**

The Senate Report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to so amending the mechanics' lien laws of this Commonwealth that the same shall be uniform as to all parties, whether performing or furnishing labor or materials, and so that the same shall afford the same protection to all parties performing or furnishing labor or materials, was accepted.

**The House reports**

**House reports.**

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of a special committee of the Boston Associated Board of Trade and others for such



modifications of the law of attachments as will more securely guard the rights of defendants ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing that ballots thrown at any election and in the custody of city and town clerks, according to the provisions of law, shall at any time be brought into court by such clerks upon the order of the judge, to be used at any trial for offences against the election laws ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 81 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing for an increase in the weight of the paper furnished for ballots, or that paper specially prepared for the purpose shall be furnished by the Secretary of State for use at all State, city and town elections ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 6 of chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, as amended by chapter 254 of the Acts of the year 1891, by inserting after the words " steam launch," in the tenth line thereof, the words " steam yacht or other boat or vessel propelled by steam ; ".

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the Resolve granting an allowance to the Thirty-fifth Massachusetts Regiment Association ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the 38th annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward Quirk that the rules of the Civil Service Commission may be more clearly defined, and a more equitable recognition of applicants for employment in any of the departments of the city of Boston may be secured ;

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to repealing section 82 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the payment of a fee by railroad corporations for printing their annual reports ;

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending sections 13, 14, 15 and 16 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, so that the interest of the mortgagee in the real estate exempt from taxation under the third and seventh clauses of section five

of said chapter, shall be exempt from taxation under the laws of this Commonwealth ;

House reports.

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that poll taxes may be collected on demand without previous notice ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Elihu T. Sawyer and others of the town of Barre for authority to take water for a water supply, and to organize a water supply district in said town ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Provin, at six minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, March 31, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House bills

To reduce witness fees and other costs where two or more cases are tried together; Witness fees.

Authorizing cities and towns to appropriate money for anniversary celebrations; and Anniversary celebrations.

Relative to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts, — severally, ought to pass; Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts, jurisdiction of.

By Mr. Butler, from the same committee, that the House bills

Relative to the entry and driving of horses at places where purses or premiums are competed for; and Horse racing.

Relative to the right to the care and control of lots and tombs in public cemeteries in towns, — severally, ought to pass; and Tombs, care and control of.

By Mr. Stevens, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Bill to promote the laying out of open spaces for the use and enjoyment of the public, ought to pass; Public parks, — Metropolitan Park Commission.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to receive and hold the property now held by the Lamson Home, ought not to pass; and Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society, — Lamson Home.

By Mr. Butler, from the same committee, that the House Bill requiring clerks of courts for the several counties to keep their offices open continuously during business hours, ought not to pass; Clerks of courts, office hours of.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Sewers, construction of, by cities and towns.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on Drainage, on three orders, a Bill to give greater powers to cities and towns in relation to the construction of sewers ;

Corporations, changes in the names of.

By Mr. Provin, from the committee on Insurance, on an order, a Bill relating to changes in the name of certain corporations ; and

Fall River Real Estate Association.

By Mr. Coveney, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of Arnold B. Sanford, a Bill to incorporate the Fall River Real Estate Association ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses of sixth class.

By Mr. Champlin, from the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Grand Division, Sons of Temperance of Massachusetts, that licenses of the sixth class may be restricted to one to a certain number of inhabitants ; and

Boston, city of, — union passenger stations.

By Mr. Raymond, from the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing for a union passenger station of the railroads entering Boston from the North and a union passenger station for the railroads entering Boston from the south and west ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Committee Discharged.*

Prohibitory party, transfer of votes of.

Mr. McEttrick, from the committee on Election Laws, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of J. M. Berry for legislation that will give the Prohibition party an opportunity to make a second choice for Governor and assist in electing him by a transfer of their ineffective votes, — and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments ;

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Petition.*

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Mr. Merritt presented a petition of the town officers of Holland and others for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns, and the same was referred to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Concerning the payment for labor performed on buildings or public works owned by cities or towns ; and  
 Preventing the disposition of merchandise by consignees or factors contrary to the written conditions of sale ;  
 Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Labor performed on public works, payment for.  
 Merchandise, disposition of, by consignees, in certain cases.

A Bill appropriating \$10,000 annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association (on the petition of the same) ; and

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

A Resolve providing for the enlargement and repair of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton (on the petition of the trustees thereof) ;

State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Bills

Relating to the collection of taxes (on an order) ; and  
 To authorize the city of Somerville to borrow money for paving Somerville and Webster avenues in excess of the limit allowed by law (on the petition of the mayor of said city) ;

Taxes, collection of.  
 Somerville, city of, — paving streets.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to morrow for a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Elkanah Crowell for an amendment of chapter 37 of the Acts of the year 1849, relating to fisheries in Bass River, so as to protect the spawning place of fish ;

Bass River, fisheries in.

Of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the board of selectmen of the town of Wakefield for a special law empowering said town to erect and maintain an electric light plant (Messrs. Howard, of the Senate, and O'Neil and Heffernin, of the House, dissenting) ;

Wakefield, town of, — electric light plant.

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing county commissioners and selectmen, when laying out, altering, locating anew or widening public ways, to reserve a part

Highways, use of, by street railway companies.

Street railway  
cars, warning of  
approach of.

of such way for street railway purposes, and other purposes not inconsistent with its use as a public way ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring all street railway companies to attach to their cars a bell which will ring continuously, either by connection with the motor or otherwise, or of providing some system of continuous alarm which will give proper warning of the approach of cars ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

### Reports

First district  
court of Eastern  
Middlesex,  
sittings of.

Manchester,  
town of, —  
police court of  
Gloucester.

Dukes County,  
county of, —  
judicial district.  
Norfolk, county  
of, — district  
court.

Franklin,  
county of, —  
district courts.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petitions of Marcellus Coggan and others that the sittings of the first district court of Eastern Middlesex may be changed ; of Daniel W. Friend and others that the town of Manchester may be made a part of the judicial district under the jurisdiction of the police court of Gloucester ; of Joseph V. Pease and others that the county of Dukes County may be constituted a judicial district ; and of Bracey Curtis and others for the establishment of a new district court in Norfolk County ; and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth ; and

Of the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to establishing one or more district courts to include the whole or a part of the county of Franklin, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth ;

Were severally read and accepted, in concurrence.

### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Lien for  
material  
furnished.

A petition of A. L. Ellis and others for an amendment of the lien law so that a lien may attach for materials as well as for labor ;

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petitions of the town officers of Rochester ; and Leonard B. Rice and others, — severally, for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

A petition of J. Hemenway and others for the passage of a resolution that the exhibit from Massachusetts at the World's Columbian Exposition shall not be open on Sunday ;

World's Columbian Exposition.

To the committee on Federal Relations.

Petitions of Rachael Haworth and others ; Edward Standish and others ; Henry McClusky and others ; Robert Knowles and others ; G. Marcotte and others ; Eliza Mul- lay and others ; Albert Ormrod and others ; John Thorpe and others ; Alice Potter and others ; Margaret Holt and others ; Thomas McGuire and others ; Lary Connors and others ; James Campbell and others ; William Andrew and others ; James Kay and others ; William Maddox and others ; Kate Mason and others ; Thomas Shaw and others ; Brook Haynes and others ; William Moores and others ; and Thomas Larken and others, — severally, for the pas- sage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to 56 hours a week ;

Women and children, hours of labor of.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

A petition of James G. Vandeusen and others in aid of the petition of H. F. Keith and others for the incorpora- tion of the South Berkshire Mountain Club ; and

South Berkshire Mountain Club.

Petitions of Alexander Foster and others ; L. W. E. Kimball and others ; Horace H. Woodward and others ; Charles E. Livermore and others ; Frank Clement and others ; Gerard Taillandier and others ; E. A. Churchill and others ; H. J. Rowley and others ; Sidney A. Reeve and others ; Charles A. Dudley and others ; John T. Gibson and others ; Robert Woods and others ; M. C. Higgins and others ; and S. E. Browne and others, — severally, for legis- lation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards ;

Municipal coal yards.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

A petition of the managers of the Boston Seamen's Friend Society for leave to hold additional property ;

Boston Sea- men's Friend Society.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the com- mittee on Mercantile Affairs.

*Bill Enacted.*

Bill enacted and  
laid before the  
Governor.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the town of Hudson to refund a portion of its debt (which originated in the Senate), was passed to be enacted, signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Buzzard's Bay,  
— taking of  
menhaden and  
alewives.

The Bill to authorize the taking of menhaden and alewives for bait in the waters of Buzzard's Bay, was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McDonald, postponed until Tuesday, April 5.

Persons wrong-  
fully arrested,  
compensation  
of.

The Bill for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested, was read a second time and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Bill.

The Bill relative to the abolition of certain grade crossings in the city of Northampton, was considered and ordered to a third reading.

The bills

Bills.

To authorize the town of Everett to issue scrip or bonds for the purpose of extending and improving its system of water supply;

To authorize the widening of Walter Street in the city of Boston and the taking of a part of a private burial ground therefor;

To amend an act to promote the abolition of grade crossings;

To authorize Fire District No. 1 of North Attleborough to make an additional water loan;

To provide for the abolition of the grade crossing of St. Mary's Street in Brookline and the Boston and Albany Railroad;

To ratify the proceedings of the West Congregational Society of Warren;

To incorporate the Plymouth County Railroad Company; and

To authorize the town of Abington to issue bonds for the purpose of meeting a portion of its water debt as the same matures; and



The Resolve in favor of Owen Dolan ;

Resolve.

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill providing a form of complaint for violation of the laws regulating the employment of women and minors in manufacturing establishments, was read a third time ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Butler, postponed until Wednesday, April 6.

Women and minors, employment of, in manufacturing establishments.

The Senate Bill to incorporate the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company, was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Drury, the bill was amended by striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following new section, to wit : —

Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

*Sect. 2.* Said company is hereby authorized to locate, construct and operate with single or double tracks, and with convenient and suitable turn-outs and switches, in part upon private land which it may take by purchase or otherwise, through the easterly part of the town of Dracut and through the town of Methuen and the cities of Lawrence and Haverhill by such route as shall be from time to time fixed and determined by the selectmen of the respective towns, and by the mayor and aldermen of the respective cities ; but said route in the town of Dracut shall run through the easterly part of said town to a point near Merrimack River which would be met by the extension of First Street in the city of Lowell, at the boundary line between said city of Lowell and said town of Dracut, with right to run over the tracks of the Lowell and Suburban Street Railway Company over private land and First Street to Bridge Street, and over Bridge Street to Post-Office Square at the corner of East Merrimack Street ; *provided, however,* that if said Lowell and Suburban Street Railway Company shall unreasonably neglect to build upon said route from said boundary line to Bridge Street, then the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company may by purchase or otherwise take land between said boundary line and First Street and locate, construct and operate its road thereon, and on First Street to Bridge Street, subject to the approval of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Lowell. But nothing in this section contained shall be deemed in any

way to authorize said Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company to run its cars over or to use the tracks of another street railway, unless authority so to do shall be given said company and duly approved in the manner provided in the general laws relating to street railways now in force or which may hereafter be enacted, and further, any street railway now existing or that hereafter may be incorporated may in like manner be authorized and empowered to run its cars over and to use any portion of the tracks of said Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company whether the same be upon public highways or over and upon private land acquired by said company as hereinbefore provided, in the same manner and upon the same conditions as though such tracks were entirely located in and upon public streets and highways and in no part over private land.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bills

Senate bills.

To authorize the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston to increase its capital stock ;

Providing for the examination and correction of returns of election officers in towns divided into voting precincts ;

Relating to the taking of scallops in the waters of the town of Marion ; and

Relating to lotteries and policy lotteries ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Reporter of decisions of Supreme Judicial Court, salary of.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of the reporter of decisions of the Supreme Judicial Court and to provide clerk hire and incidental expenses, was read a third time ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Thayer, postponed until to-morrow.

Benevolent Fraternity of Churches.

The House Bill to enable the Benevolent Fraternity of Churches in the city of Boston to hold additional real and personal estate, was read a third time. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, after the word "amount," in line 7, the words "in all," and inserting in place thereof

the words "which, together with the amounts heretofore authorized by law, shall;" also by striking out, in the same line, the word "exceeding," and inserting in place thereof the word "exceed." These amendments were severally adopted and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments.

Mr. Simpkins, from the same committee, also reported recommending that the title be amended by striking out the word "enable," and inserting in place thereof the word "authorize," and this amendment was adopted.

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments.

#### The House bills

Authorizing the Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company to construct tracks upon locations granted by the selectmen of Winthrop; House bills.

To authorize Division No. 19, Ancient Order of Hibernians of Northbridge, to hold real and personal estate and mortgage the same;

To authorize the town of Reading to make an additional water loan;

Authorizing certain boards and commissions to consult and advise with the Attorney-General upon questions of law relating to their official business (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Giving trial justices jurisdiction of cases of drunkenness;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

#### The House reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to elections, by striking out so much thereof as relates to the self-registering of ballots deposited in the ballot boxes furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth and used at all elections held within said Commonwealth; House reports.

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to preventing the manufacture or sale of articles of household or personal use containing arsenic where such articles may be dangerous to the health of the community;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Enos T. Luce, justice of the second

district court of Eastern Middlesex, for an increase of salary ; and

House report.

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that towns, for the purpose of constructing ways and locating anew, altering and widening existing ways, with a view to the wants of the future, may incur a debt beyond the legal debt limit, and repayable within a period not exceeding fifty years ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Nutter, at two minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P.M.

FRIDAY, April 1, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Dr. Strong of Newton.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of William E. Murdock and others, a Bill to authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting house of said society and to prohibit further interments therein; and

Park Street  
Congregational  
Society in  
Boston.

By Mr. McDonald, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill in relation to the recovery of costs from insolvent estates;

Insolvent  
estates, recovery of costs from.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House bills

To provide a board of trustees of Town Donations of the town of Concord;

Concord, town of, — trustees of Town Donations.

To enable the Holyhood Cemetery Association to take, hold, sell and convey certain real estate; and

Holyhood Cemetery Association.

To authorize cities and towns to incur indebtedness for the purpose of paying damages occasioned by the taking of land for the alteration of grade crossings, — severally, ought to pass;

Grade crossings, damages incurred in alteration of.

By Mr. McDonald, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the House Bill relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk, ought to pass;

Suffolk, county of, — clerical assistance for register of probate and insolvency.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown, ought to pass; and

Justice of police court of Williamstown, salary of.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the district attorney for the Southern District; and

District attorney for Southern District, salary of.

Justice of  
fourth district  
court of Eastern  
Middlesex,  
salary of.

The House Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex, — severally, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

Suffolk, county  
of, — index  
commissioners.

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House bills

To amend section 27 of chapter 24 of the Public Statutes, relating to the appointment of index commissioners for Suffolk County ; and

Children, pre-  
vention of  
cruelty to.

For the prevention of cruelty to children, — severally, ought NOT to pass ; and

Married  
women, sepa-  
rate property  
of.

By Mr. Thayer, from the same committee, that the House bills

To give courts of equity jurisdiction in matters relating to the separate property of married women and to proceedings thereon ; and

Private labels,  
etc., counter-  
feiting of.

To prevent the counterfeiting of private labels, stamps and trade-marks, — severally, ought not to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next, the question being, in each case, on the rejection of the bill.

Employers'  
liability, — ex-  
tension of time  
of notice of  
injury.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 3 of chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, as amended by chapter 155 of the Acts of the year 1888, known as the Employers' Liability Act, so as to provide for longer time in which to give the notice of the time, place and cause of injury, required by said acts (Mr. McDonald, dissenting).

Treasurer and  
Receiver-Gen-  
eral, report of,  
on weights and  
measures.

By Mr. Butler, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General as relates to weights and measures ;

Massachusetts  
Board of Regis-  
tration in  
Pharmacy,  
report of.

By Mr. Nichols, from the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the sixth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy ; and

State Board of  
Health, report  
of, on inspection  
of food and  
drugs.

By Mr. Merritt, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Board of Health relative to prosecutions and expenses in connection with the inspection of food and drugs ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

*Introduced on Leave.*

Mr. McDonald (on leave, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), introduced a Bill relating to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency, and the same was referred to the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency. Judges of Probate and Insolvency, duties of.

Sent down for concurrence.

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.**

A Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Gardner (on the petition of the selectmen of said town), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary. Gardner, town of, — town meeting.

A Report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to the payment of all employees in the institutions of the State semi-monthly, instead of monthly, as now is done, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next. State employees, payment of.

The Senate Report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 220 of the Acts of the year 1882, being an act to prohibit the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors on premises within a certain distance of public schools, so that the provisions of the same shall not apply to a hotel containing more than one hundred rooms, — came up, recommitted by the House, to the committee on the Liquor Law; and the Senate concurred therein. Intoxicating liquors, — school-houses.

*House Petitions.*

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Nantucket for reimbursement to said town for expenditures on account of shipwrecked seamen, came up, referred to the committee on Towns, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule. The Senate concurred in the suspension of the rule, and on motion of Mr. Parkman the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures. Nantucket, town of, — reimbursement for expenditures.

Sent down for concurrence.

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence: —

A petition of the South Adams Fire District that its name may be changed and the town of Adams authorized to issue bonds and loan the same to said fire district; South Adams fire district, — town of Adams.

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Municipal coal  
yards.

Petitions of E. L. Metcalf and others ; A. W. Stockwell and others ; and Mary S. Ashley and others, — severally, for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards ;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Taxation, —  
sworn lists of  
property.

A petition of M. M. Alden and others for legislation requiring persons holding taxable personal property to bring in sworn lists, and subjecting them to damage for failure to bring in such lists ;

To the committee on Taxation.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

To authorize the town of Revere to establish a grade for cellars ;

To authorize the New England Hospital for Women and Children to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To provide and define the punishment for perjury ;

To authorize the town of Arlington to incur indebtedness for the purpose of erecting a high school building ;

Relating to the residence of registers of deeds and to the place of keeping books, records, deeds and papers belonging to their offices ;

Providing for the publication and posting of proposed constitutional amendments ;

Relating to taxes upon certain accident, fidelity and guaranty insurance companies ;

Authorizing the transfer of cases in the Supreme Judicial Court ; and

To annex a part of the town of Phillipston to the town of Templeton.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed, and, with the above-named bills, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Resolves  
passed, etc.

Providing for printing the special report of the State Board of Agriculture on the work of extermination of the *ocneria dispar* or gypsy moth ;

Providing for repairs and improvements at the Lyman School for Boys ; and

In favor of Augustus Barnes.



*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

To promote the laying out of open spaces for the use Bills.  
and enjoyment of the public ;

To incorporate the Fall River Real Estate Association ;

Relating to changes in the name of certain corporations ;

Relative to the right to the care and control of lots and  
tombs in public cemeteries in towns ;

Authorizing cities and towns to appropriate money for  
anniversary celebrations ;

Relating to the entry and driving of horses at places  
where purses or premiums are competed for ;

Relating to the collection of taxes ;

Relative to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial and  
Superior Courts ;

To reduce witness fees and other costs where two or  
more cases are tried together ; and

To authorize the city of Somerville to borrow money  
for paving Somerville and Webster avenues in excess of  
the limit allowed by law ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a  
third reading.

The Bill to give greater powers to cities and towns in Sewers, con-  
struction of.  
relation to the construction of sewers, was read a second  
time ; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a  
third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Clark, laid on  
the table.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of the reporter Reporter of de-  
cisions of  
Supreme  
Judicial Court,  
salary of.  
of decisions of the Supreme Judicial Court and to provide  
clerk hire and incidental expenses, was considered ; and,  
pending the question on passing the same to be engrossed,  
the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr.  
Smith, postponed until Tuesday, April 5.

The Senate bills

Relative to the abolition of certain grade crossings in Senate bills.  
the city of Northampton ;

To authorize the town of Everett to issue scrip or  
bonds for the purpose of extending and improving its sys-  
tem of water supply ; and

To authorize the widening of Walter Street in the city of Boston and the taking of a part of a private burial ground therefor ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Grade crossings, abolition of.

The Senate Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time ; and, pending the question on passing the same to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Smith, postponed until Tuesday, April 5, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

Clerks of courts, duties of.

The House bills

Requiring clerks of courts for the several counties to keep their offices open continuously during business hours ; and

Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society, — Lamson Home.

To authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to receive and hold the property now held by the Lamson Home ;

Were severally rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

House bills.

The House bills

To authorize Fire District No. 1 of North Attleborough to make an additional water loan ;

To provide for the abolition of the grade crossing at St. Mary's Street in Brookline on the Boston and Albany Railroad (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To ratify the proceedings of the West Congregational Society of Warren ; and

To authorize the town of Abington to issue bonds for the purpose of meeting a portion of its water debt as the same matures ; and

House resolve.

The House Resolve in favor of Owen Dolan ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House bill.

The House Bill to incorporate the Plymouth County Railroad Company, was read a third time. Mr. Parkman moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Monday next, and this motion was lost. The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Grand Division, Sons of Temperance of Massachusetts, that licenses of the sixth class may be restricted to one to a certain number of inhabitants, was considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Champlin, laid on the table.

Intoxicating  
liquors, — sixth  
class licenses.

The Senate Report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing for a union passenger station of the railroads entering Boston from the north and a union passenger station for the railroads entering Boston from the south and west, was accepted.

Senate report.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### The House reports

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Elkanah Crowell for an amendment of chapter 37 of the Acts of the year 1849, relating to fisheries in the Bass River, so as to protect the spawning place of fish ;

House reports.

Of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the board of selectmen of the town of Wakefield for a special law empowering said town to erect and maintain an electric light plant ;

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing county commissioners and selectmen, when laying out, altering, locating anew or widening public ways, to reserve a part of such way for street railway purposes, and other purposes not inconsistent with its use as a public way ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring all street railway companies to attach to their cars a bell which will ring continuously, either by connection with the motor or otherwise, or of providing some system of continuous alarm which will give proper warning of the approach of cars ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, at one minute before two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, April 4, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

Gambling  
houses,  
obstructions in.

By Mr. Thayer, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill relating to obstructions in buildings resorted to for the purpose of unlawful gaming (introduced on leave), ought to pass; and

Soldiers and  
sailors, burial  
of, in certain  
cases.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill providing for the payment by the Commonwealth of the burial expenses of soldiers and sailors dying in State institutions; and

The House resolves

Betsey Worth-  
ington.

In favor of Betsey Worthington; and

Massachusetts,  
map of, — con-  
gressional dis-  
tricts.

Providing for the printing and distribution of copies of the map showing the division of the Commonwealth into congressional districts, — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

False trade-  
marks, etc.,  
use of.

By Mr. Thayer, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill to prevent the use of false trade-marks, labels and stamps, ought NOT to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Persons wrong-  
fully arrested,  
compensation  
of.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Bill for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested, ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

Boston, city of,  
— board of  
police.

By Mr. Butler, from the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of W. P. Cherrington for such changes in the laws as will more clearly define and limit the powers and duties of the board of police commissioners of the city of Boston;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Motion to Reconsider.*

Mr. Southwick moved that the vote by which the Senate, on Friday last, rejected the House Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to receive and hold the property now held by the Lamson Home, — be reconsidered; and this motion was, on further motion of the same Senator, laid on the table.

Massachusetts  
Baptist Charita-  
ble Society, —  
Lamson Home.

*Motion to take from the Table.*

Mr. Champlin moved that the House Bill to provide for the appointment of license commissions in the several cities of the Commonwealth, be taken from the table, and this motion was lost, by a vote of 8 to 10 (a quorum being present).

License com-  
missions, ap-  
pointment of.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred: —

By Mr. McDonald, a petition of the selectmen of the town of Sudbury for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns;

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
division of  
towns.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Dame, a petition of the selectmen of the town of Newbury that a vote of said town passed at the last annual town meeting may be legalized;

Newbury, town  
of, — town  
meeting.

Under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

By Mr. Howard, a petition of Sarah Welch and others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to fifty-six hours a week;

Women and  
children, hours  
of labor of.

To the committee on Labor.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Resolve in favor of David S. Beetle (on the petition of the same), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

David S.  
Beetle.

## Bills

Pittsfield, city  
of, — water  
supply.

To provide an additional water supply for the city of Pittsfield (on the petition of the inhabitants of said city) ;  
and

Gloucester, city  
of, boundary  
line between,  
and the towns of  
Essex and  
Ipswich.

To define and establish the boundary line in tide-water between the city of Gloucester and the towns of Essex and Ipswich (on the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners, in part, taken from the House files of last year) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

## Reports

Reserve fund of  
safe deposit,  
loan and trust  
companies.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of H. E. Clayton for legislation regulating the reserve required to be held by safe deposit, loan and trust companies ;

Tyler Street  
Day Nursery.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of Benjamin C. Clark for incorporation of the Tyler Street Day Nursery ;

A. M. Bridg-  
man, *et al.*,  
incorporation  
of, for publish-  
ing purposes.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of A. M. Bridgman and another for incorporation for publishing purposes ;  
and

District police,  
salaries of.

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to grading and otherwise regulating the salaries of the members of the district police ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Message from the Governor.*

Message from  
the Governor,—  
national monu-  
ment at  
Trenton, N. J.

A message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a letter from the Governor of New Jersey, requesting this Commonwealth to take part in the erection of a national monument at Trenton, N. J., commemorative of the battle fought there during the revolution, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Federal Relations.

*House Petitions.*

Crombie Street  
Church in  
Salem.

The question on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of the proprietors of Crombie Street Church in Salem for a modification of the terms of

admission to membership in said corporation and power to make by-laws, — was, at the request of Mr. Raymond, postponed until to-morrow.

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

A petition of E. W. Seaver and others for an amendment of the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns ;

Constitutional amendment, — division of towns.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

A petition of Marion A. Campbell and others for the passage of a resolution that the exhibit from Massachusetts at the World's Columbian Exposition shall not be open on Sunday ;

World's Columbian Exposition.

To the committee on Federal Relations.

A petition of R. M. Lavender and others of Provincetown in aid of the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation for building a ship canal across Cape Cod at Bass River ;

Cape Cod Ship Canal at Bass River.

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Petitions of Richard French and others ; Charles C. Metcalf and others ; Fred. L. Pulsifer and others ; James O'Reilley and others ; A. F. Hill and others ; J. A. Elliott and others ; and Francis McCourt and others, — severally, for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards ;

Municipal coal yards.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

### *House Order.*

The question on concurring in the adoption of the following House order was, at the request of Mr. Parkman, postponed until to-morrow, to wit : —

*Ordered*, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature, within twenty days from the passage of this order, as follows : —

Gas, investigation relative to the manufacture and sale of.

1. As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

2. As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

3. As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purposes of this order, the Commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

**Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.**

Relating to the overseers of the poor of the city of Boston;

To establish the salary of the chief of the district police; and

Making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year and for other expenses authorized by law.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed, and, with the above-named bills, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

**Resolves  
passed, etc.**

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital; and

Providing for finishing and furnishing the new dormitory at the State Normal School at Worcester.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

**Bills.**

To authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting house of said society and to prohibit further interments therein;

In relation to the recovery of costs from insolvent estates;

To establish the salary of the district attorney for the Southern District;

To establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex;



To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown ;

To provide a board of trustees of town donations of the town of Concord ;

To authorize cities and towns to incur indebtedness for the purpose of paying damages occasioned by the taking of land for the alteration of grade crossings ; and

To enable the Holyhood Cemetery Association to take, hold, sell and convey certain real estate ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk, was read a second time and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury. Suffolk, county of, — clerical assistance to register of probate and insolvency.

The House Bill to give courts of equity jurisdiction in matters relating to the separate property of married women and to proceedings thereon, was considered ; and, pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Gilman, postponed until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day. Married women, separate property of.

#### The House bills

To amend section 27 of chapter 24 of the Public Statutes, relating to the appointment of index commissioners for Suffolk County ; House bills.

To prevent the counterfeiting of private labels, stamps and trade-marks ; and

For the prevention of cruelty to children ;

Were severally rejected, as recommended, in each case, by the committee on the Judiciary.

#### The Senate bills

To establish a Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners and to define its powers and duties (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; Senate bills.

To incorporate the Fall River Real Estate Association ; and

Relating to changes in the name of certain corporations ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**The House bills****House bills.**

Relative to the right to the care and control of lots and tombs in public cemeteries in towns ;

Authorizing cities and towns to appropriate money for anniversary celebrations ;

Relating to the entry and driving of horses at places where purses or premiums are competed for ;

Relating to the service of process in the collection of taxes (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Relative to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts in real actions (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

To authorize the city of Somerville to borrow money, in excess of the limit allowed by law, for paving Somerville and Webster avenues (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**Witness fees.**

The House Bill to reduce witness fees and other costs where two or more cases are tried together, was read a third time and amended, on motion of Mr. Fernald, by inserting, in line 3, after the word "any," the words "police, municipal or," and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

**The Senate reports****Senate reports.**

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General as relates to weights and measures ;

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the sixth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Board of Health relative to prosecutions and expenses in connection with the inspection of food and drugs ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**Senate report.**

The Senate Report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending

section 3 of chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, as amended by chapter 155 of the Acts of the year 1888, known as the Employers' Liability Act, so as to provide for longer time in which to give the notice of the time, place and injury, required by said acts, was accepted.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, House report. inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to the payment of all employees in the institutions of the State semi-monthly instead of monthly as now is done, was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Carter, at thirteen minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet tomorrow at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, April 5, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*David S.  
Beetle.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Resolve in favor of David S. Beetle, ought to pass; and

Justice of police  
court of New-  
ton, salary of.

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Newton; and

Massachusetts  
State Firemen's  
Association.

The House Bill appropriating \$10,000 annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Real estate,  
protection of  
purchasers of.

By Mr. Thayer, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto (in part), — a Bill making the record of instruments affecting the title to land conclusive evidence of delivery;

Claims against  
real estate,  
filing of record  
of.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, on the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto (in part), — a Bill in relation to the filing for record of claims against real estate;

Municipal liens  
upon real  
estate, record-  
ing of notice of.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, on the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments

conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto (in part), — a Bill providing for the recording of notice of municipal liens upon any real estate and defining the lands to be affected ;

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on three orders, a Bill relating to the income from the water supplies of the city of Boston ;

Boston, city of,  
— income from  
water supplies.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relative to the blasting of rocks in the city of Boston ;

Boston, city of,  
— blasting of  
rocks.

By Mr. Nutter, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the thirteenth annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity (in part), a Bill concerning the settlement of illegitimate children ;

Illegitimate  
children, settle-  
ment of.

By Mr. Kimball, from the committee on Railroads, on the annual report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners (in part), a Bill to prevent the acquisition of rights of way across railroads by prescription ; and

Railroads,  
rights of way  
across.

By Mr. Ray, from the same committee, on the annual report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners (in part), a Bill relating to crossings of railroads, street railways, highways and other ways ;

Railroads,  
street railways,  
etc., crossings  
of.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. West, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the petition of Henry A. Brown and others, a Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Bristol to construct a bridge and highway across the east branch of Westport River (Mr. Simpkins, of the Senate, dissenting) ;

Westport  
River, bridge  
across east  
branch of.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

By Mr. Gilman, from the committee on Federal Relations, on the petition of Henry T. Cheever, Resolutions relative to closing the grounds and buildings of the World's Columbian Exposition on Sunday ;

World's  
Columbian Ex-  
position, closing  
of, on Sunday.

Read and, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

By Mr. West, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners ;

Harbor and  
Land Commis-  
sioners, report  
of.

By Mr. Gilman, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual

Tax Commis-  
sioner and Com-  
missioner of  
Corporations,  
report of.

report of the Tax Commissioner and the Commissioner of Corporations for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, as relates to the general corporation law, the change of names of corporations and the law requiring foreign corporations to make the Commissioner of Corporations their attorney for the service of process ;

Abstract of Certificates of Corporations.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the Abstract of the Certificates of Corporations ; and

Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, annual report of.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the third annual report of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

#### *Introduced on Leave.*

Gloucester, city of, — 250th anniversary celebration.

Mr. Dame (on leave), introduced a Resolve relative to the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the incorporation of the town of Gloucester, and moved a suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon ; and the question on this motion was, at the request of Mr. Gilman, postponed until to-morrow.

#### *Reconsideration.*

Newbury, town of, — town meeting.

On motion of Mr. Dame, the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, referred (under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules) to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions, the petition of the selectmen of the town of Newbury that a vote of said town passed at the last annual town meeting may be legalized, — was reconsidered. On motion of the same Senator, the vote by which the Senate suspended the 9th joint rule, was also reconsidered, and the motion to suspend said rule was withdrawn. On further motion of Mr. Dame, the petition was then referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

#### *Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

Joint committees, time of report of.

*Ordered*, That the time within which joint committees are required, under the provisions of joint rule 10, to make final report upon matters previously referred to them, be further extended to Friday, April 15.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator, —

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns to-day, it Adjournment.  
adjourn to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P.M.

### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill providing for a notice to be given to a person charged with liability for injury caused by an intoxicated person, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary. Intoxicated persons, injuries caused by.

### Bills

To exempt the Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall in Billerica from taxation (on the petition of C. H. Kohlrausch, Jr.) ; and Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall in Billerica.

To regulate the taking of eels and white perch in the waters of the town of Mattapoisett (on the petition of F. W. Underwood and others, and the bill introduced on leave in the House) ; Mattapoisett, town of, — eels and white perch.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

### Reports

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the two orders relative to granting one liquor license for each 500 inhabitants of all cities or towns voting "yes" on the license question ; Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William S. Hixon and others for incorporation as the Globe Building and Loan Association ; Globe Building and Loan Association.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Harvey H. Pratt that an allowance may be made out of the treasury of the Commonwealth to certain veterans of the town of Scituate and heirs of deceased veterans ; Scituate, town of, — bounty to certain veterans.

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on so much of the 49th Registration Report as relates to births, marriages and deaths and the returns of medical examiners ; Forty-ninth registration report, — births, marriages and deaths and returns of medical examiners.

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing that the district police force shall hold office during good behavior and until removed for cause ; and District police, tenure of office of.

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to so amending chapter 320 of the Acts of Civil service examination of laborers.

the year 1884, entitled : " An Act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof," as to provide that laborers shall be exempt from the requirement of civil service examination ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first seven of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

Relating to the payment of official stenographers of the Superior Court ;

To authorize the School for Christian Workers to admit women as students ;

Relating to the fraudulent conversion of money or securities deposited for a specific purpose ;

To authorize educational and religious associations to define grounds and ways under their control and to enforce regulations concerning the same ;

To incorporate the Williamstown Savings Bank ;

To authorize the city of New Bedford to borrow money for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ;

Relating to the public cemeteries in the city of Woburn ;

To authorize the Newton and Boston Street Railway Company to increase its capital stock, extend its location, issue bonds and mortgage its property and franchise ;

Providing compensation for the members of the State Dairy Bureau ;

To authorize the preparation for the State Library of an index of current events ;

To provide clerical assistance for the treasurer of the county of Bristol ;

Providing for the consolidation of the Boston Industrial Temporary Home and the Appleton Temporary Home ;

Relating to the time of marking shade trees for their preservation ;

To establish the salary of the first clerk of the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture ;

Regulating the use of embalming fluid in cases where persons are supposed to have come to their death by violence ;

In reference to the return days of writs issued by trial justices and district, police and municipal courts ;



To incorporate the Washington Savings Institution of Lowell;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to make an additional water loan; and

Authorizing the city of Lowell to take additional land for the armory lot.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed, and, with the above-named bills, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:—

To confirm the acts of Alden E. Viles as a justice of the peace; Resolves passed, etc.

In favor of George H. Ross;

In favor of William C. Merry;

In favor of Catherine R. Doherty;

In favor of George F. Hubbard;

In favor of Michael J. Fleming;

In favor of John Brickley;

In favor of William Burt;

Granting county taxes; and

Providing rooms for the use of the Civil Service Commissioners.

The question on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the House petition of the proprietors of Crombie Street Church in Salem for a modification of the terms of admission to membership in said corporation and power to make by-laws (the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday), was considered; and, pending this question, the petition was, on motion of Mr. Raymond, laid on the table. Crombie Street Church in Salem.

The question on concurring in the adoption of the following House order (the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday), was considered, to wit:—

*Ordered*, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature, within twenty days from the passage of this order, as follows:— Gas, investigation relative to the manufacture and sale of.

1. As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

2. As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

3. As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purposes of this order, the commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the order, it was, on motion of Mr. Parkman, laid on the table.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

Bills.

Relating to obstructions in buildings resorted to for the purpose of unlawful gaming ;

Providing for the payment by the Commonwealth of the burial expenses of soldiers and sailors dying in State institutions ;

To provide an additional water supply for the city of Pittsfield ; and

To define and establish the boundary line in tide-water between the city of Gloucester and the towns of Essex and Ipswich ; and

The resolves

Resolves.

In favor of Betsey Worthington ; and

Providing for the printing and distribution of copies of the map showing the division of the Commonwealth into congressional districts ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Persons wrong-  
fully arrested,  
compensation  
of.

The Bill for compensation of persons wrongfully arrested, was considered, the question being on ordering the same to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Merritt, the bill was amended by striking out, in section 1, line 6, the word "shall," and inserting in place thereof the word "may ;" also by striking out section 2. The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Buzzard's Bay,  
taking of men-  
haden and  
alewives in.

The Bill to authorize the taking of menhaden and alewives for bait in the waters of Buzzard's Bay, was con-

sidered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. McNary, laid on the table.

The Senate bills

To authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Senate bills.  
Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting house of said society and to prohibit further interments therein;

In relation to the recovery of costs from insolvent estates; and

To establish the salary of the district attorney for the Southern District;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill relating to the abolition of grade cross- Grade cross-  
ings, abolition  
of.  
ings, was considered, and the question on passing the same to be engrossed was determined as follows, to wit:—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.

Messrs. Provin, William  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 14.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Coveney, John W.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Mott, Edward  
Ray, William F.

Messrs. Raymond, Francis H.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 9.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. William H. Carberry,  
Mr. Robert Howard,  
Mr. James W. McDonald,  
Mr. Gorham D. Gilman (present),  
Mr. Isaac N. Nutter (present),  
Mr. Henry A. Kimball (present),  
Mr. Wilder P. Clark,

## NAYS.

Mr. B. Marvin Fernald (present).  
Mr. Henry Parkman (present).  
Mr. Luther Dame (present).  
Mr. Arthur B. Champlin.  
Mr. Francis P. Arnold.  
Mr. William E. Meade.  
Mr. William H. West (present). — 14.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Charles H. Baker,

Mr. George K. Nichols. — 2.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Reporter of decisions of Supreme Judicial Court, salary of, etc.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of the reporter of decisions of the Supreme Judicial Court and to provide clerk hire and incidental expenses, was considered, the question being on passing the same to be engrossed. Mr. Parkman moved that the bill be amended by striking out, in section 1, line 6, the words "fifteen hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words "two thousand."

Mr. McNary moved that the bill be amended in section 1, lines 3 and 4, by striking out the words "four thousand," and inserting in place thereof the words "forty-five hundred." Pending these amendments and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McNary, postponed until to-morrow to be placed second in the Orders of the Day.

House bills.

The House bills

To establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex;

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown;

To provide a board of trustees of town donations of the town of Concord;

To authorize cities and towns to incur indebtedness for the purpose of paying damages occasioned by the taking of land for the alteration of grade crossings; and

To authorize the Holyhood Cemetery Association to take, hold, sell and convey certain real estate (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Senate report.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of W. P. Cherrington for such changes in the laws as will more clearly define and limit the powers and duties of the board of police commissioners of the city of Boston, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

House reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of H. E. Clayton for legislation regulating the reserve required to be held by safe deposit, loan and trust companies;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of Benjamin C. Clark for incorporation of the Tyler Street Day Nursery ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of A. M. Bridgman and another for incorporation for publishing purposes ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to grading and otherwise regulating the salaries of the members of the district police ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, at twenty-two minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet tomorrow at one o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, April 6, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Thomas E. St. John of Haverhill, a member of the House of Representatives.

*Reports of Committees.*

Banks and  
banking, exam-  
ination of laws  
relating to.

By Mr. Shaw, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on two orders, a Resolve providing for an examination by the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks of the laws relating to banks and banking;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Boston, city of,  
— control of  
police force.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to placing the control of the police force of the city of Boston in a board or officer to be appointed by the mayor of said city; and on so much of the Governor's address as relates to returning the control of the police of the city of Boston to said city (Mr. McNary, of the Senate, dissenting);

Board of Rail-  
road Commis-  
sioners, report  
of.

By Mr. Mott, from the committee on Railroads, no further legislation necessary, on the twenty-third annual report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners;

Old Colony  
Railroad, —  
grade crossings  
in Roxbury.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William H. Carberry for the abolition of the grade crossings on the line of the Providence division of the Old Colony Railroad which lie within the limits of Roxbury, by the elevation of the tracks of said road; and

Old Colony  
Railroad, —  
elevation of  
road-bed  
between  
Chickering and  
Forest Hills  
stations.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William L. Mooney for a law to require the elevation of a portion of the road-beds and tracks of the Providence division of the Old Colony Railroad between Chickering station and Forest Hills;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Friday next.

*Committee Discharged.*

Boston, city of,  
— indemnifica-  
tion for damages  
in certain cases.

Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of

the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the passage of an act to authorize the city of Boston to indemnify citizens for any loss or damage they may sustain while assisting a police officer in the performance of police duty, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary ;

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Motion to Reconsider.*

Mr. Raymond moved that the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Senate Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings, be reconsidered, and further moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table. The motion to lay on the table was lost by a vote of 11 to 17. The motion to reconsider was then negatived.

Grade crossings, abolition of.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. Butler, the House Bill to provide for the appointment of license commissions in the several cities of the Commonwealth, was taken from the table ; and, pending the question on the adoption of the amendment, moved by Mr. Meade, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Butler, postponed until Wednesday, April 13, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

Intoxicating liquors, — license commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Meade, the House petition of the proprietors of the Crombie Street Church in Salem for a modification of the terms of admission to membership in said corporation and power to make by-laws, was taken from the table, the question being on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon. Pending this question, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until Monday, April 11.

Crombie Street Church in Salem.

*Petition.*

Mr. Dame presented a petition of the chairman of the selectmen of the town of Newbury that said town may be authorized to construct and maintain a wharf over tide-water at a public landing on the River Parker, — and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 12th and 9th

Newbury, town of, — wharf on River Parker.

joint rules, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Parkman,—

Adjournment.

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns to-day, it adjourn to meet on Friday next at one o'clock P.M.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Drunkenness,  
fees for arrests  
for.

A Bill in relation to fees for arrests for drunkenness by officers deriving their sole compensation from taxable fees, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills

Suffolk, county  
of,—salary of  
first assistant  
district  
attorney.

To establish the salary of the first assistant district attorney for the Suffolk District (on an order);

Treasurer of  
Norfolk  
County, salary  
of.

To establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Norfolk (on the petition of Charles H. Smith);

Reformatory  
Prison for  
Women.

Relating to the disposal of sewage from the Reformatory Prison for Women (on the message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting a report of the Commissioners of Prisons relating to the subject, in part);

Street railway  
companies,  
reports of.

Requiring street railway companies to contribute to the expense of printing their reports (on an order); and

Insane, main-  
tenance of, by  
towns.

Authorizing the reimbursement of expense incurred by certain towns in the maintenance of the insane (on an order); and

Harry W.  
Welch.

A Resolve in favor of Harry W. Welch (on the petition of the same);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Bills

Street railway  
companies.

To enable street railway companies to refund their funded debt in certain cases (on an order); and

Pittsfield, city  
of,—grade  
crossing.

To authorize the city of Pittsfield to provide for the abolition of a grade crossing (on the petition of the mayor of said city);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Friday next for a second reading.



**Reports**

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate :

On the order relative to providing that the board of education may take and hold in trust for the Commonwealth any grant or devise of lands and any donation or bequest of money or other personal property made to the Commonwealth for any educational, historical, literary or scientific purposes, or for the establishment and maintenance of public libraries and reading rooms ; and providing for the safe keeping, management and investment of said funds under suitable safeguards, requiring the officers intrusted with the care thereof to report to the General Court ; also providing that, in ascertaining the income of the several funds, the net income from all the aggregate funds shall be divided pro rata to said several funds ; also providing that when the income is by the terms of a gift, grant, devise or bequest to be paid to trustees, the receipt of such trustees shall be a sufficient discharge to the board of education ; also providing that the Supreme Judicial Court may have jurisdiction in equity to hear and determine questions arising in the administration of the funds ; also repealing section 2 of chapter 41 of the Public Statutes ; and

State Board of Education, — power to take and hold in trust grants, devises, donations, bequests, etc., for certain purposes.

On the order relative to increasing the age of compulsory attendance of pupils in the public schools of the Commonwealth to sixteen years ;

Compulsory school age.

Of the committee on Libraries, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the Librarian of the State Library for the year ending September 30, 1891 ;

Librarian of the State Library, report of.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Joseph Robbins and others for incorporation as the Co-operative Improvement Association ; and

Co-operative Improvement Association.

On the petition of Charles J. Scanlan and others for incorporation as the Suffolk Real Estate Association ;

Suffolk Real Estate Association.

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to further preventing the spread of contagious diseases in and through schools or among school children ; and

Schools, contagious diseases in.

Of the committee on Taxation, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the Tax Commissioner as was referred to them ;

Tax Commissioner, report of.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Friday next.

Personal prop-  
erty, taxation  
of, — double  
taxation.

A House Bill to relieve certain classes of personal property from double taxation, came up, recommitted to the committee on Taxation under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the rule.

*Message from the Governor.*

Message from  
the Governor, —  
report of the  
Rapid Transit  
Commission.

A message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a report of the Rapid Transit Commission, and documents accompanying the same, was referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

*House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence: —

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
division of  
towns.

A petition of the town officers of Plainfield for an amendment to the Constitution requiring the consent of inhabitants to the division of towns;

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Cape Cod Ship  
Canal at Bass  
River.

A petition of Osborn Nickerson and others of Chatham in aid of the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for a ship canal across Cape Cod at Bass River;

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Paper mill em-  
ployees, hours  
of labor of.

A petition of Walter Howe and others for the regulation of the hours of labor of paper mill employees;

To the committee on Labor.

Municipal coal  
yards.

Petitions of Judson Studley and others; Herbert Whitney and others; William Sears and others; Henry S. Griffith and others; Charles N. Gardner and others; Albert E. Lang and others; Frank S. Ray and others; B. F. DeCosta and others; and the Scandinavian Reading and Discussion Club of Boston, — severally, for legislation authorizing the establishment of municipal coal yards;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Christie A.  
Fisk.

A petition of Christie A. Fisk that she may be made eligible to receive State aid;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Military Affairs.

*Bill Enacted.*

Bill enacted and  
laid before the  
Governor.

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Plymouth County Railroad Company (which originated in the House), was

passed to be enacted, signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

The Senate suspended the 12th joint rule on the Resolve relative to the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the incorporation of the town of Gloucester, which was, yesterday, introduced on leave, and the same was, on motion of Mr. Dame, referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Gloucester, city of, — 250th anniversary celebration.

Sent down for concurrence.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill to give courts of equity jurisdiction in matters relating to the separate property of married women and to proceedings thereon, was, by a vote of 20 to 9, rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

Married women, separate property of.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of the reporter of decisions of the Supreme Judicial Court and to provide clerk hire and incidental expenses, was considered, the main question being on passing the bill to be engrossed. The question on the adoption of the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Parkman, to strike out, in section 1, line 6, the words "fifteen hundred," and insert in place thereof the words "two thousand," was determined as follows, to wit: —

Reporter of decisions of Supreme Judicial Court, salary of, etc.

#### YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McEttrick, Michael J.

Messrs. McNary, William S.  
Parkman, Henry  
Provin, William  
Ray, William F.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
West, William H. — 17.

#### NAYS.

Messrs. Champlin, Arthur B.  
Dame, Luther  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward  
Nutter, Isaac N.

Messrs. Raymond, Francis H.  
Simpkins, John  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 12.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Drury, John E.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Hickox, Stephen A.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Nichols, George K.  
Smith, Sidney P. — 10.

So the amendment was adopted.

The pending amendment, moved by Mr. McNary, to strike out, in section 1, lines 3 and 4, the words "four thousand," and insert in place thereof the words "forty-five hundred," was rejected, by a vote of 10 to 15. The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

## Bills.

The bills

Relating to the income from the water supplies of the city of Boston ;

Concerning the settlement of illegitimate children ;

Relative to the blasting of rocks in the city of Boston ;

To prevent the acquisition of rights of way across railroads by prescription ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Newton ;

In relation to the filing for record of claims against real estate ;

Making the record of instruments affecting the title to land conclusive evidence of delivery ;

Providing for the recording of notice of municipal liens upon any real estate and defining the lands to be affected ;

Relating to crossing of railroads, street railways, highways and other ways ;

To exempt the Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall in Billerica from taxation ;

Appropriating \$10,000 annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association ; and

To regulate the taking of eels and white perch in the waters of the town of Mattapoisett ; and

## Resolve.

The Resolve in favor of David S. Beetle ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

World's  
Columbian  
Exposition.

The Senate Resolutions relative to closing the grounds and buildings of the World's Columbian Exposition on Sunday, were considered, the question being on the adoption thereof.

Mr. Gilman rose to a point of order, which, being stated, <sup>Point of Order.</sup> was that a quorum was not present. The Chair, having, <sup>Rule by President.</sup> by count, ascertained that twenty-two Senators were present, declared that the point of order was not well taken.

The resolutions were then rejected.

Subsequently, Mr. Gilman moved that the vote by which the Senate rejected the resolutions, be reconsidered; and this motion was forthwith considered, under a suspension of Senate Rule 51, moved by the same Senator. On motion of Mr. Gilman the further consideration thereof was then postponed until Monday, April 11.

The Senate Bill providing a form of complaint for violation of the laws regulating the employment of women and minors in manufacturing establishments, was considered and passed to be engrossed. <sup>Senate bill.</sup>

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to provide for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill relating to obstructions in buildings resorted to for the purpose of unlawful gaming, was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Champlin, the bill was amended in section 1 by striking out, in lines 36 and 56, the word "or," and inserting in place thereof the word "of;" by inserting, in line 50, after the word "third," the words "or subsequent;" and by striking out, in the same line, after the word "order," the word "or," and inserting in place thereof the word "of." The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed. <sup>Gambling houses.</sup>

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to prevent the use of false trade-marks, labels and stamps, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary. <sup>False trade-marks, etc., use of.</sup>

#### The House bills

Providing for the payment by the Commonwealth of the burial expenses of soldiers and sailors dying in State institutions; <sup>House bill.</sup>

**House Bills.**

To provide an additional water supply for the city of Pittsfield ; and

To define and establish the boundary line in tide-water between the city of Gloucester and the towns of Essex and Ipswich ; and

The House resolves

**House resolves.**

In favor of Betsey Worthington ; and

Providing for the printing and distribution of copies of the map showing the division of the Commonwealth into congressional districts ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate reports

**Senate reports.**

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the Tax Commissioner and the Commissioner of Corporations for the year ending Dec. 31, 1891, as relates to the general corporation law, the change of names of corporations and the law requiring foreign corporations to make the Commissioner of Corporations their attorney for the service of process ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of the Certificates of Corporations ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the third annual report of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

**House reports.**

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the two orders relative to granting one liquor license for each 500 inhabitants of all cities or towns voting " yes " on the license question ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William S. Hixon and others for incorporation as the Globe Building and Loan Association ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Harvey H. Pratt that an allowance may be made out of the treasury of the Common-

wealth to certain veterans of the town of Scituate and heirs of deceased veterans ;

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on so much of the 49th Registration Report as relates to births, marriages and deaths and the returns of medical examiners ;

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to so amending chapter 320 of the Acts of the year 1884, entitled : " An Act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof," as to provide that laborers shall be exempt from the requirement of civil service examination ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing that the district police force shall hold office during good behavior and until removed for cause ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Champlin, at three minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Friday next at one o'clock P.M.

FRIDAY, April 8, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Parkman in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Wyer, at four minutes past one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.



MONDAY, April 11, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Smith, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House bills

In relation to fees for arrests for drunkenness by officers deriving their sole compensation from taxable fees ; and  
To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Gardner, — severally, ought to pass ;  
Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Arrests for drunkenness, fees for.

Gardner, town of, — town meeting.

By Mr. Fernald, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on so much of the report of the joint special committee — appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto — as relates to the Torrens System of Land Transfer, a Bill authorizing the appointment of a commission to draft an Act embodying the principles of the Torrens System of Land Transfer ; and

Torrens System of Land Transfer.

By Mr. Nichols, from the committee on Public Health, on the petition of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy, a Resolve providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy ;

Pharmacy, regulation of practice.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the board of health of said city, a Bill providing for the appointment of an inspector of provisions, milk, butter, cheese and vinegar for the city of Lynn ;

Lynn, city of, — inspectors of provisions, milk, etc.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, on the petition of the water board of said city, a Bill providing for the more effective collection of water rates by the city of Lynn ;

Lynn, city of, — collection of water rates.

Trout arti-  
ficially raised.

By Mr. Dame, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, that the House Bill to permit the taking and sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth, between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of September in each year, ought to pass, in a new draft, entitled: "An Act to permit the sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of April in each year;"

Konkapot  
Valley Railroad  
Company.

By Mr. Kimball, from the committee on Railroads, on the petition of James H. Lyles and others, a Bill to incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company; and

Millbury  
Water Com-  
pany.

By Mr. Nichols, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of Charles D. Morse and others, a Bill to incorporate the Millbury Water Company;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Boston, city of,  
— board of  
overseers of the  
poor.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to vesting in the board of overseers of the poor of the city of Boston, the care and control of all institutions for the care of paupers having a settlement in said city, and the administration of all matters connected with the admission and discharge of said paupers; and

Boston, city of,  
— gambling.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to placing the police powers for the enforcement of all laws against gambling in Boston in the executive of said city;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

#### *Committee Discharged.*

Commissioners  
of Savings  
Banks, report  
of.

Mr. Nutter, from the committee on Banks and Banking, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of Part 2 of the 16th annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks as relates to printing additional copies thereof, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Printing;

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### *Reconsideration.*

Reporter of  
decisions of  
Supreme  
Judicial Court,  
salary of, etc.

Mr. Southwick moved that the vote by which the Senate, on Wednesday last, passed to be engrossed the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the reporter of decisions of the

Supreme Judicial Court and to provide clerk hire and incidental expenses, be reconsidered.

Mr. Parkman rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that a motion to reconsider was not in order, "a legislative day" having intervened since the bill was passed to be engrossed. Point of order.

The Chair ruled that the point of order was not well taken, because a quorum of the Senate had not been present since the day on which the bill was passed to be engrossed, and that, therefore, the time allowed for reconsideration, under the provisions of Senate Rule 51, could not be considered as having elapsed. Ruling by President.

The motion to reconsider then prevailed, by a vote of 15 to 10.

The same Senator further moved that the vote by which the Senate adopted the amendment striking out, in section 1, line 6, the words "fifteen hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words "two thousand," be reconsidered, and this motion was lost, by a vote of 12 to 15.

The bill, as previously amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. Butler, the House order, That the joint special committee appointed by the last Legislature to consider the subject of greater uniformity and system in the provisions of law relative to the several cities of the Commonwealth and the framing of a general form of municipal charter; the joint special committee to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions; and the joint special committee to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto, and kindred subjects, — be directed to report to this Legislature not later than March 21, was taken from the table and considered. There being no objection the pending amendments moved by Mr. Parkman were withdrawn by that Senator. The order was then rejected. Joint special committee, reports of.

On motion of Mr. Clark, the Senate Bill to give greater powers to cities and towns in relation to the construction of sewers, was taken from the table and considered; and, Sewers, construction of.

pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until to-morrow.

*Resolution.*

Preston B. Sibley, extradition of.

Mr. Thayer presented a Resolution relative to the submission to the Legislature, by His Excellency the Governor, of copies of the correspondence in relation to the extradition of Preston B. Sibley, and moved a suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon. Pending the question on the suspension of the rule, the further consideration thereof was, at the request of Mr. Parkman, postponed until to-morrow.

*Petition.*

North Brookfield, town of, — water commissioner.

Mr. Thayer presented a petition of the selectmen of the town of North Brookfield that the election of Francis Batchelder as water commissioner of said town be legalized and confirmed, and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Placed on File.*

World's Columbian Exposition, — exhibit from Massachusetts.

Mr. Smith presented a petition of Marion A. Campbell and others for the passage of a resolution that the exhibit from Massachusetts at the World's Columbian Exposition shall not be open on Sunday; and the same was placed on file.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Boston, city of, — assistant probation officers.

A Bill in relation to assistant probation officers for the municipal court of the city of Boston, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

*Bills*

Free public libraries, supplies of books for.

Authorizing the furnishing of one hundred dollars' worth of books to the free libraries of certain towns whose valuation does not exceed six hundred thousand dollars (on an order);

Secretary of State.

Requiring the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give a bond and report annually the transactions of his office (introduced on leave in the House); and

Commissioner of State Aid.

To establish the salary of the Commissioner of State Aid (on so much of the abstract of the report of the Auditor of Accounts as relates to the subject); and

**Resolves**

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary (on the petition of the same) ;

In favor of James K. Barbour (on the petition of Edward W. Presbo) ;

Massachusetts  
Charitable Eye  
and Ear  
Infirmary.  
James K.  
Barbour.

In relation to the sewer from the Reformatory Prison for Women (on the message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting a report of the Commissioners of Prisons relating to the subject, in part) ; and

Reformatory  
Prison for  
Women.

To provide for the publication of a new edition of the course of studies for ungraded schools, a new edition of the school laws and the purchase of educational books for the normal schools (introduced on leave in the House) ;

School laws,  
etc., publication  
of.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

**Bills**

To incorporate the Rockrimmon Building Company (on the petition of F. H. Gillett) ;

Rockrimmon  
Building  
Company.

To exempt the town of Groveland from part of the expense of maintaining Groveland bridge (on the petition of M. Millison and others) ;

Groveland,  
town of, —  
Groveland  
bridge.

Relative to the change of names of corporations (on the petition of the trustees of the North Wrentham Cemetery Association) ;

Corporations,  
change of name  
of.

To provide for voting for electors of President and Vice-President of the United States (on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the subject) ;

Presidential  
electors, selec-  
tion of.

To authorize the Marlborough Street Railway Company to extend its road into the towns of Hudson and Westborough, and for other purposes (on the petition of said company and others) ;

Marlborough  
Street Railway  
Company.

Relative to the fisheries of the town of Mashpee (on the bill relative to the subject, introduced on leave in the House) ;

Mashpee, town  
of, — fisheries.

To incorporate the West Lynn Trust Company (on the petition of L. M. Brock and others) ; and

West Lynn  
Trust Company.

To more effectually prevent the spread of tuberculosis (on the report of the Cattle Commissioners, in part) ;

Tuberculosis.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

**Reports**

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to a general law limiting the amount of money which a town or city may deposit

Banking institu-  
tions, — munic-  
ipal deposits.

in a single bank or banking institution, and providing that such deposit shall not at any one time exceed a certain percentage of the capital of the bank ;

Prohibitory  
Party, — trans-  
fer of votes.

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. M. Berry for legislation that will give the Prohibition Party an opportunity to make a second choice for Governor and assist in electing him by a transfer of their ineffective votes ;

School, compul-  
sory attendance  
at.

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Teachers' Association for a revision of the law concerning compulsory attendance at school and relative to truants and their support ; that the law relative to the election of school teachers by committees be made to apply to superintendents and supervisors ; and for the establishment of a board of State examiners ;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court :

School accom-  
modations in  
towns.

On the order relative to so amending the laws of the Commonwealth that all towns in said Commonwealth shall be required to maintain a sufficient number of schools to accommodate all pupils of school age in said towns for a period of not less than thirty weeks in each year ; and

Public schools,  
support of,  
by towns.

On the order relative to giving further assistance for the support of public schools in towns in the Commonwealth whose valuation of real and personal estate, as shown by the last returns thereof, does not exceed one-half million dollars ;

Voting lists in  
towns, publica-  
tion of.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. P. Brown that the voting lists of towns be published as a part of the town reports, and those of cities as public documents ;

Naming a new  
war ship  
" Gloucester."

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Gloucester Board of Trade that the Secretary of the Navy be requested to give the name of " Gloucester," to one of the war ships in process of construction ;

Laborers, con-  
dition of.

Of the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of the Wendell Phillips Woman's Club and others for an investigation into the condition of laborers ;

Corporations,  
laws regulating.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing corporations to commence business before the capital is fully paid in,

to fix the par value of their shares at not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, and to dispense with seven days' notice of first meeting in certain cases ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Springfield for legislation which will enable said city to make such ordinances and regulations as will require the placing of electric wires under ground ;

Springfield, city of, — electric wires.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. B. Atwood that Frederic Wiese may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Frederic Wiese.

Of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William Little and others, owners of pews in the meeting-house of the First Parish in Newbury, for an act of incorporation ;

First Parish in Newbury.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the 13th annual report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools ;

State Primary and Reform Schools, — report of trustees.

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing the State to join with some municipality in the expense in experiments for the purification of sewage or the destruction or utilization of solids contained in sewage ;

Sewage, purification of.

Of the committee on Public Service, no legislation necessary, on the 8th annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners of Massachusetts ;

Civil Service Commissioners, report of.

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of J. H. Benton, Jr., that the Old Colony Railroad Company and the city of Boston may be enabled to alter the railroad station, yards and tracks of said company, and the ways and streets now crossing said railroad at the same level in South Boston, so as to prevent such crossing ;

Old Colony Railroad Company, — changes of grade at South Boston.

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to giving the mayor and board of aldermen of a city, or the selectmen of towns, authority to allow electric roads to take up the tracks of horse railroads and put down tracks for electric roads ; allowing horse railroads whose tracks have been taken up to use said tracks of the electric roads ;

Street railway tracks, regulation concerning.

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring the assessment and collection of taxes by a State board so as to remove the

Taxes, assessment and collection of, by a State board.

present inequalities in our methods of tax assessment and collection ;

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate :

Town appro-  
priations.

On the order relative to requiring a two-thirds vote in making town appropriations or grants between the time of the assessment of taxes and the next annual town meeting ; and

Hospitals in  
towns.

On the order relative to amending section 20 of chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, so that a town may erect, establish and maintain a hospital for the reception of persons able to pay and paying for their treatment, as well as for those who are unable to pay ;

Wakefield,  
town of, an-  
nexation of part  
of, to Melrose.

Of the committee on Towns, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Walter Moore and others for the annexation of a part of the town of Wakefield to the town of Melrose ; and

Reservoirs and  
mill dams,  
examination of.

Of the committee on Water Supply, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to repealing chapter 315 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled : “ An Act requiring the examination of reservoirs, reservoir dams and mill dams by county commissioners ; ”

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Medfield Water  
Company.

A House Bill to permit the Foxborough water supply district to supply water for residents of Foxborough outside the district, came up, recommitted to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule ; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the rule.

#### *House Petition.*

Oak Grove  
Cemetery  
Association.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of the trustees of Oak Grove Cemetery Association for authority to convey said cemetery to the town of Plymouth, — and the same was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Towns.

#### *Bill Enacted.*

Bill enacted and  
laid before the  
Governor.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the city of Somerville to borrow money in excess of the limit allowed by law for paving Somerville and Webster avenues (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted, signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.



*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate rejected the Senate Resolutions relative to closing the grounds and buildings of the World's Columbian Exposition on Sunday, was considered, and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit:—

**YEAS.**

Messrs. Champlin, Arthur B.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank — 12.

**NAYS.**

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Provin, William  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Simpkins, John  
Thayer, John R.  
West, William H. — 20.

**ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.**

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
Merritt, Christopher C.

Messrs. Shaw, Edward P.  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 7.

So the motion to reconsider was negatived.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the House petition of the proprietors of the Crombie Street Church in Salem for a modification of the terms of admission to membership in said corporation and power to make by-laws (the consideration of which was postponed from Wednesday last), and the same was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

The bills

To enable street railway companies to refund their funded debt in certain cases; and

**Bill.** To authorize the city of Pittsfield to provide for the abolition of a grade crossing ;  
Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Senate bills.** The Senate bills  
Relating to the income from the water supplies of the city of Boston ;  
Concerning the settlement of illegitimate children ;  
Relative to the blasting of rocks in the city of Boston ;  
To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Newton ;  
Making the record of instruments affecting the title to land conclusive evidence of delivery ; and  
Relating to crossings of railroads, street railways, highways and other ways ;  
Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**Railroads, rights of way across.** The Senate Bill to prevent the acquisition of rights of way across railroads by prescription, was read a third time ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Ray, laid on the table.

**Claims against real estate, record of.** The Senate Bill in relation to the filing for record of claims against real estate, was read a third time ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McDonald, postponed until to-morrow.

**Municipal liens upon real estate, recording of notice of.** The Senate Bill providing for the recording of notice of municipal liens upon any real estate and defining the lands to be affected, was read a third time ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Smith, postponed until Wednesday next.

**House bills.** The House bills  
To exempt the Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall from taxation ;  
Appropriating \$10,000 annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association ; and  
To regulate the taking of eels and white perch in the waters of the town of Mattapoissett ; and

The House Resolve in favor of David S. Beetle;

House resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to placing the control of the police force of the city of Boston in a board or officer to be appointed by the mayor of said city; and on so much of the Governor's address as relates to returning the control of the police of the city of Boston to said city; and

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Railroads, no further legislation necessary, on the twenty-third annual report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William H. Carberry for the abolition of the grade crossings on the line of the Providence division of the Old Colony Railroad which lie within the limits of Roxbury, by the elevation of the tracks of said road, was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance thereof, the report was, on motion of Mr. Carberry, laid on the table.

Old Colony Railroad, — grade crossings in Roxbury.

The Senate Report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William L. Mooney for a law to require the elevation of a portion of the road-beds and tracks of the Providence division of the Old Colony Railroad between Chickering station and Forest Hills, was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance thereof, the report was, on motion of Mr. Carberry, laid on the table.

Old Colony Railroad, — Roxbury crossing.

The House Report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that the board of education may take and hold in trust for the Commonwealth any grant or devise of lands and any donation or bequest of money or other personal property made to the Commonwealth for any educational, historical, literary or scientific purposes, or for the establishment and maintenance of public libraries and reading rooms; and providing for the safe keeping, management and investment of said funds under suitable safeguards, requiring the officers intrusted with the care thereof to re-

State Board of Education, — power to take and hold in trust grants, devises, donations, bequests, etc., for certain purposes.

port to the General Court ; also providing that, in ascertaining the income of the several funds, the net income from all the aggregate funds shall be divided pro rata to said several funds ; also providing that when the income is by the terms of a gift, grant, devise or bequest to be paid to trustees, the receipt of such trustees shall be a sufficient discharge to the board of education ; also providing that the Supreme Judicial Court may have jurisdiction in equity to hear and determine questions arising in the administration of the funds ; also repealing section 2 of chapter 41 of the Public Statutes, — was considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Butler, postponed until Wednesday next.

#### The House reports

##### House reports.

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to increasing the age of compulsory attendance of pupils in the public schools of the Commonwealth to sixteen years ;

Of the committee on Libraries, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the Librarian of the State Library for the year ending September 30, 1891 ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joseph Robbins and others for incorporation as the Co-operative Improvement Association ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles J. Scanlan and others for incorporation as the Suffolk Real Estate Association ;

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to further preventing the spread of contagious diseases in and through schools or among school children ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the Tax Commissioner as was referred to them ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, at twenty-five minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, April 12, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on the Treasury, Manchester, town of.  
that the House Resolve in favor of the town of Manchester, ought to pass ;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Eaton, from the committee on Drainage, on the petition of said city, a Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness for sewerage purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ; Brockton, city of, — sewerage.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Butler, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to so amending the law that when a vacancy occurs in the board of county commissioners, by reason of death or disability, the remaining members of the board of county commissioners shall have the power to elect a person to fill the vacancy until the next regular election ; and County commissioners, — vacancies.

By Mr. Drury, from the committee on Drainage, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the State Board of Health upon water supply and sewerage as relates to sewerage and sewage disposal ; State Board of Health, report of, — sewerage and sewage disposal.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Remonstrance.*

Mr. Southwick presented a remonstrance of the Boston Fruit and Produce Exchange against the passage of an act to abolish days of grace ; and the same was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking. Days of grace.

Sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill making an appropriation for compensation and expenses of the joint special committee on municipal Appropriations, — joint special committee on municipal charters.

charters appointed by the Legislature of 1891, was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. McDonald, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Street railway  
employees,  
hours of labor  
of.

A Bill constituting ten hours in twelve consecutive hours a day's work for all conductors, drivers and motor men employed by or on behalf of any street railway company in any city or town (on two orders and a petition relating to the subject), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Evening  
schools.

A Report of the committee on Education, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing for a system of public instruction and education to be given evenings in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth, in connection with and supplementary to the rudimentary instruction given in the public schools, with a view to providing a system for those who desire a higher education, the principal features of said system to be as follows, viz.:—*First.* A systematized course of free lectures on history, science, philosophy and political economy by a competent corps of lecturers. *Second.* The compilation, printing and distribution among the attendants at these lectures of a card or pamphlet giving the titles and names of authors of the best reference books upon the subjects under consideration. *Third.* The school committees of the cities and towns to provide suitable places for said lectures,— was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

State Primary  
School at  
Monson, —  
damages caused  
by fire.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a Resolve to provide for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson (introduced on leave in the House); and the same was returned to the House for its action.

East Bridge-  
water, town of,  
— bounty to  
certain  
veterans.

Notice was received from the House that the Resolve in favor of certain veterans of the town of East Bridge-water (introduced on leave in the House), had been rejected by that branch.

### *Reports.*

Insurance Com-  
missioner, re-  
port of, on  
endowment  
societies.

A communication from the Insurance Commissioner, transmitting a summary of the membership, benefit and

endowment and expense receipts and disbursements of the so-called assessment endowment corporations of this Commonwealth, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Insurance.

A supplementary report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures.

Metropolitan  
Sewerage Com-  
missioners,  
report of.

### *House Petitions, etc.*

The following House petitions and remonstrances were severally referred, in concurrence :—

A petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others that the city of Boston may be authorized to borrow \$500,000 outside the debt limit for public park purposes at the North End ;

Boston, city of,  
— public park  
at the North  
End.

To the committee on Cities.

Remonstrances of P. C. Young and others ; Samuel C. Paine and others ; W. H. Irwin and others ; Alexander E. Nickerson and others ; A. F. Bearse and others ; Ward Eldred and others ; W. P. Lewis and others ; George W. Hallett and others ; Charles F. Parker and others ; H. P. Crocker and others ; H. S. Lawrence and others ; W. L. Nickerson and others ; Osborn Nickerson and others ; J. H. Cummings and others ; George Otis and others ; Joshua Crowell and others ; David D. Kelley and others ; Stephen Sears and others ; W. W. Ellis and others ; and Watson F. Baker and others, — severally, against the granting of a charter to any company for building a ship canal from Buzzard's Bay to Barnstable Bay ;

Cape Cod Ship  
Canal.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

A remonstrance of the Wamsutta Mills and other manufacturers of New Bedford against any reduction of the hours of labor ;

Hours of labor.

To the committee on Labor.

A petition of John A. Floyd that he may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

John A. Floyd.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Woman  
suffrage.

A petition of Kate M. Harvey and others that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections ;

To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

*House Order.*

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Rapid Transit  
Commission,  
report of.

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing immediately 3,000 copies of the report of the Rapid Transit Commission.

*Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

To incorporate the Nathan Slade Cemetery Association ;

To authorize the city of Malden to incur a debt for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ;

To ratify a vote of the town of Stoneham appropriating money for a celebration ;

To require railroad companies to maintain crossings to give access to lands cut off by railroads ;

Authorizing cities and towns to appropriate money for anniversary celebrations ;

To authorize the town of Reading to make an additional water loan ;

To authorize the Benevolent Fraternity of Churches in the city of Boston to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Relative to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts in real actions ;

Relative to the entry and driving of horses at places where purses or premiums are competed for ;

To ratify the proceedings of the West Congregational Society of Warren ;

To authorize fire district number one of North Attleborough to make an additional water loan ;

To authorize the town of Abington to issue bonds for the purpose of meeting a portion of its water debt as the same matures ;

To provide for the abolition of the grade crossing at St. Mary's Street in Brookline, on the Boston and Albany Railroad ;



To authorize Division No. 19, Ancient Order of Hibernians of Northbridge, to hold real and personal estate and mortgage the same ;

Giving trial justices jurisdiction of cases of drunkenness ;

Authorizing certain boards and commissions to consult and advise with the Attorney-General on questions of law relating to their official business ;

To incorporate the Evergreen Cemetery Association of Stoughton ;

Authorizing the Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company to construct tracks upon locations granted by the selectmen of Winthrop ;

Relating to the service of process in the collection of taxes ; and

Relative to the right to the care and control of lots and tombs in public cemeteries in towns.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Owen Dolan (which originated in the House), was passed, and, with the above-named bills, was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve passed,  
etc.

The question on the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Resolution relative to the submission to the Legislature, by His Excellency the Governor, of copies of the correspondence in relation to the extradition of Preston B. Sibley (the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday), was determined as follows, to wit : —

Preston B.  
Sibley, extradi-  
tion of.

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Eaton, William N.  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert  
McDonald, James W.

Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Simpkins, John  
Thayer, John R. — 19.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.

Messrs. Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 13.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
Ray, William F.  
Stevens, Eben S. — 7.

So the Senate refused to suspend the rule (four-fifths of the senators present and voting thereon, not having voted in the affirmative), and the resolution was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Bill.

The Bill to give greater powers to cities and towns in relation to the construction of sewers, was considered and ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The bills

To incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company ;

Providing for the more effective collection of water rates by the city of Lynn ;

Providing for the appointment of an inspector of provisions, milk, butter, cheese and vinegar for the city of Lynn ;

To incorporate the Millbury Water Company ;

To authorize the Marlborough Street Railway Company to extend its road into the towns of Hudson and Westborough, and for other purposes ;

To incorporate the Rockrimmon Building Company ;

In relation to fees for arrests for drunkenness by officers deriving their sole compensation from taxable fees ;

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Gardner ;

To incorporate the West Lynn Trust Company ;

Relative to the change of names of corporations ;

To more effectually prevent the spread of tuberculosis ;

To exempt the town of Groveland from part of the expense of maintaining Groveland bridge ; and

Relative to the fisheries of the town of Mashpee ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Trout arti-  
ficially raised,  
sale of.

The Bill to permit the sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January

and the first day of April in each year, was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, the bill was amended, in section 1, line 4, by striking out the word "eight," and inserting in place thereof the word "nine." The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 14 to 8.

The Bill to provide for voting for electors of President and Vice-President of the United States, was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Merritt, by a vote of 12 to 9, the bill was amended, in section 1, lines 12 and 13, by striking out the words "one-eighth nor more than." On further motion of the same Senator, the bill was further amended in section 1, by striking out, in lines 19 and 20, the word "three-sixteenths," and inserting in place thereof the word "one-quarter." Pending the question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Thayer, postponed until to-morrow.

Presidential  
electors, selec-  
tion of.

The Senate Bill in relation to the filing for record of claims against real estate, was considered and amended, on motion of Mr. McDonald, by adding a new section as follows: "*Sect. 2.* In case of an ordinary attachment of real estate the entry made by the register of deeds upon the records of the registry required by law, shall be deemed to be notice of the pendency of an action within the provisions of this act." The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Claims against  
real estate,  
filing of, for  
record.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### The House bills

To enable street railway companies to refund their funded debt in certain cases; and

House bills.

To authorize the city of Pittsfield to provide for the abolition of a grade crossing;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

#### The Senate reports

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to vesting in the board of overseers of the poor of the city of Boston, the care and control of all institutions for the care of paupers having a settlement in said city, and the administration of all

Senate report.

matters connected with the admission and discharge of said paupers ; and

**Senate report.**

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to placing the police powers for the enforcement of all laws against gambling in Boston in the executive of said city ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**The House reports**

**House reports.**

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to a general law limiting the amount of money which a town or city may deposit in a single bank or banking institution, and providing that such deposit shall not at any one time exceed a certain percentage of the capital of the bank ;

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. M. Berry for legislation that will give the Prohibition party an opportunity to make a second choice for Governor and assist in electing him by a transfer of their ineffective votes ;

Of the committee on Education, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to giving further assistance for the support of public schools in towns in the Commonwealth whose valuation of real and personal estate, as shown by the last returns thereof, does not exceed one-half million dollars ;

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Teachers' Association for a revision of the law concerning compulsory attendance at school, and relative to truants and their support ; that the law relative to the election of school teachers by committees be made to apply to superintendents and supervisors ; and for the establishment of a board of State examiners ;

Of the committee on Education, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to so amending the laws of the Commonwealth that all towns in said Commonwealth shall be required to maintain a sufficient number of schools to accommodate all pupils of school age in said towns for a period of not less than thirty weeks in each year ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. P. Brown that the voting lists of towns be published as a part of the town reports, and those of cities as public documents ;

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Gloucester Board of Trade that the Secretary of the Navy be requested to give the name of "Gloucester" to one of the war ships in process of construction ;

Of the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Wendell Phillips Woman's Club and others for an investigation into the condition of laborers ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Springfield for legislation which will enable said city to make such ordinances and regulations as will require the placing of electric wires under ground ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing corporations to commence business before the capital is fully paid in, to fix the par value of their shares at not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, and to dispense with seven days' notice of first meeting in certain cases ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. B. Atwood that Frederic Wiese may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William Little and others, owners of pews in the meeting-house of the First Parish in Newbury, for an act of incorporation ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the 13th annual report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools ;

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing the State to join with some municipality in the expense in experiments for the purification of sewage or the destruction or utilization of solids contained in sewage ;

Of the committee on Public Service, no legislation necessary, on the 8th annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners of Massachusetts ;

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of J. H. Benton, Jr., that the Old Colony Railroad Company and the city of Boston may be enabled to alter the railroad station, yards and tracks of said company and the ways and streets now crossing said railroad at the same level in South Boston, so as to prevent such crossings ;

## House reports.

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to giving the mayor and board of aldermen of a city, or the selectmen of towns, authority to allow electric roads to take up the tracks of horse railroads and put down tracks for electric roads; allowing horse railroads whose tracks have been taken up to use said tracks of the electric roads;

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring the assessment and collection of taxes by a State board, so as to remove the present inequalities in our methods of tax assessment and collection;

Of the committee on Towns, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Walter Moore and others for the annexation of a part of the town of Wakefield to the town of Melrose;

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring a two-thirds vote in making town appropriations or grants between the time of the assessment of taxes and the next annual town meeting;

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 20 of chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, so that a town may erect, establish, and maintain a hospital for the reception of persons able to pay and paying for their treatment, as well as for those who are unable to pay; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to repealing chapter 315 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled: "An Act requiring the examination of reservoirs, reservoir dams and mill dams by county commissioners;"

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, at eighteen minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, April 13, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Thayer, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill preventing the disposition of merchandise by consignees or factors contrary to the written conditions of sale, ought NOT to pass; Merchandise, disposition of, by consignees, in certain cases.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Nutter, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Ziba C. Keith and others, a Bill to incorporate the Plymouth County Safe Deposit and Trust Company; and Plymouth County Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on an order, two petitions and a resolution relating to the subject, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to procure and prepare for public use one or more open spaces in said city; Boston, city of, — open spaces.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston, a Bill in relation to the issue of bonds for the furnishing of the court house for the county of Suffolk, and the expenditure of the proceeds thereof; Suffolk, county of, — court house.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

By Mr. Howard, from the committee on Labor, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the chief of the Massachusetts district police as relates to women as factory inspectors, the inspection department, and the enforcement of inspection laws in factories, and in mechanical, manufacturing and mercantile establishments, the employment of children, and sweating-system, the Chief of the district police, report of, — inspection laws, etc.

weavers' fine bill, the guarding of machinery, security of elevators and report of accidents ;

State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation, report of.

By Mr. Baker, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation ;

Primitive Methodist Church, U. S. A., East Conference.

By Mr. Meade, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, leave to withdraw, on the petition of N. W. Matthews and others for an act of incorporation as the Primitive Methodist Church of the United States of America, East Conference ;

General Superintendent of Prisons, report of, on prison labor.

By Mr. Eaton, from the committee on Prisons, no further legislation necessary, on the fifth annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons relating to prison labor (recommitted) ; and

Commissioners of Prisons, report of, on Reformatory Prison for Women.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the fourteenth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women (recommitted) ;

Boston, city of, — classification of prisoners at Deer Island.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing for the grading and classification of prisoners confined in the House of Industry at Deer Island ; and

Boston, city of, — confinement of prisoners at Deer Island.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing and requiring the city of Boston to construct additional cells for prisoners confined in the House of Industry at Deer Island ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

### *Taken from the Table.*

Buzzard's Bay, — taking of menhaden and alewives.

On motion of Mr. McDonald, the House Bill to authorize the taking of menhaden and alewives for bait in the waters of Buzzard's Bay, was taken from the table ; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until Friday next.

### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Assistant State Librarian, salary of.

A Bill to establish the salary of the assistant State Librarian and clerk of the Board of Education (on an order), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.



**Bills**

To enable the Beverly Marine Railway in Beverly to confirm its proceedings and convey its real estate (on the petition of the same); Beverly Marine Railway.

To authorize the city of Chelsea to take certain land in said city for a public building or for park purposes (on the petition of said city); Chelsea, city of,  
— public park.

To authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock (on the petition of the same); Connecticut River Railroad Company.

To increase the penalty for the unauthorized removal of gravel, sand and other material from the beaches (on an order and a petition relating to the subject); Beaches,  
removal of sand,  
etc., from.

To authorize the town of Chatham to refund a portion of its debt (on the petition of the same); Chatham, town of,  
— town debt.

To authorize the town of Hopkinton to make an additional water loan (on the petition of J. A. Woodbury); Hopkinton,  
town of,  
— water loan.

To legalize a vote of the town of Peabody providing for refunding a portion of the amount paid for a liquor license (on the petition of the selectmen of said town); and Peabody, town of,  
— refunding  
portion of liquor  
license.

Relating to the commitment of insane persons (on the annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, in part); Insane persons,  
commitment of.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

**Reports**

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of George J. Carney and others that the laws in relation to the class of securities in which the funds of savings banks may be invested be so amended as to embrace the bonds of street railway companies paying dividends; Savings banks  
funds, invest-  
ment of, in cer-  
tain securities.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Channing Hazeltine and others for incorporation as the Shawmut Trust Company; Shawmut Trust  
Company.

Of the committee on Education, no further legislation necessary, on the 55th annual report of the Board of Education, and the 55th annual report of the secretary of the board; State Board of  
Education,  
report of.

Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to imposing a penalty upon gas companies of one thousand dollars for each violation of the provisions of section 7 of chapter 314 of the Acts of the year 1885, requiring gas companies to make returns to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners; and Board of Gas  
and Electric  
Light Commis-  
sioners, returns  
to.

Mercantile  
agencies, inves-  
tigation of.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to the appointment of a special committee to investigate the mercantile agencies of this State and to report as to the proper method of regulating their operation ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Clerks of sun-  
dry courts,  
salaries of.

A Report of the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to increasing the salary of the justice of the police court of the city of Brockton to \$2,000, and that of the clerk of said court to \$1,500; also the petitions of Henry M. Williams and others, and of Edward B. George and others, clerks of police, district and municipal courts, that their salaries may be established at a sum equal to three-fourths of the annual salaries of the justices of said courts, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth, — was read and accepted, in concurrence.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Intoxicating  
liquors, — ap-  
pointment of  
license commis-  
sioners.

The House Bill to provide for the appointment of license commissions in the several cities of the Commonwealth, was considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Meade, to strike out section 3 and insert in place thereof the following new section : — “ *Sect. 3.* This act shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the cities and towns of this Commonwealth for acceptance at the next annual municipal election, and the affirmative votes of a majority of the voters present and voting thereon shall be required for its acceptance,” — was amended, on further motion of the same Senator, by striking out the words “and towns.” The amendment, as amended, was then rejected.

Mr. Coveney moved that the bill be amended, in section 3, lines 1 and 2, by striking out the words “upon its passage,” and inserting in place thereof the words “on the first day of February in the year 1893,” and this motion was lost, by a vote of 6 to 17.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill was amended, in section 1, as follows : In lines 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, and also in lines 67, 68, 69 and 70, by striking out, in each case, the

words "The mayor of each of the cities in the Commonwealth, except Boston, shall within ten days after the approval of this act, appoint a board of license commissioners," and inserting in place thereof the words "At the sitting of the Superior Court next preceding the first day of January in the year 1893, in any county except the county of Suffolk, the presiding judge thereof shall appoint a board of license commissioners for each city situated within such county, said commissioners." In lines 16 and 77, by striking out, in each case, the word "ninety-three," and inserting in place thereof the word "ninety-four." In lines 17 and 78, by striking out, in each case, the word "ninety-four," and inserting in place thereof the word "ninety-five." In lines 19 and 80, by striking out, in each case, the word "ninety-five," and inserting in place thereof the word "ninety-six." In lines 19, 20, 21 and 22, and also in lines 80, 81, 82, 83 and 84, by striking out, in each case, the words "The full term of office after these dates shall be three years, and all vacancies shall be filled by the mayor for the unexpired term of office of the retiring commissioner," and inserting in place thereof the words "At the sitting of the said court in any county, except the county of Suffolk, next prior to the first Monday of February in the year 1894, appoint one such commissioner for the term of three years, and any vacancy existing in said commission shall be filled by the presiding judge of the session of the said court next sitting, held in said county after the vacancy occurs; and the commissioner so appointed shall hold office for the remainder of such unexpired term."

On motion of Mr. Parkman, the bill was further amended, in section 1, lines 41, 50, 104 and 111, by striking out, in each case, the word "mayor," and inserting in place thereof the word "court."

The question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, was then determined as follows, to wit:—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Drury, John E.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Parkman, Henry  
Provin, William  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R — 17.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. Meade, William E.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 20.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. William H. Carberry,

Mr. Isaac N. Nutter. — 2.

So the bill was refused a third reading.

**Bill.** The Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness for sewerage purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ; and

**Resolve.** The Resolve in favor of the town of Manchester ;  
Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Senate bills.** The Senate bills  
To incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company ;  
Providing for the collection of water rates by the city of Lynn (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and  
Providing for the appointment of an inspector of provisions, milk, butter, cheese and vinegar for the city of Lynn ;  
Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**House bills.** The House bills  
To authorize the Marlborough Street Railway Company to extend its road into the towns of Hudson and Westborough, and to increase its capital stock (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

In relation to fees for arrests for drunkenness by officers deriving their sole compensation from taxable fees ;

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Gardner ;

To incorporate the West Lynn Trust Company ;

Relative to the change of names of corporations ;

To prevent the spread of tuberculosis (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To exempt the town of Groveland from part of the expense of maintaining Groveland bridge ; and

Relative to the fisheries of the town of Mashpee ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

#### The Senate reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient Senate reports.  
to legislate, on the order relative to so amending the law that when a vacancy occurs in the board of county commissioners, by reason of death or disability, the remaining members of the board of county commissioners shall have the power to elect a person to fill the vacancy until the next regular election ; and

Of the committee on Drainage, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the State Board of Health upon water supply and sewerage as relates to sewerage and sewage disposal ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Education, in- House report.  
expedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing for a system of public instruction and education to be given evenings in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth, in connection with and supplementary to the rudimentary instruction given in the public schools, with a view to providing a system for those who desire a higher education ; the principal features of said system to be as follows, viz. : *First.* A systematized course of free lectures on history, science, philosophy and political economy by a competent corps of lecturers. *Second.* The compilation, printing and distribution among the attendants at these lectures of a card or pamphlet giving the titles and names of authors of the best reference books upon the subjects under consideration. *Third.* The school committees of the cities and towns to provide suitable places for said lectures, — was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at fifteen minutes past five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, April 14, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

Boston, city of,  
—assistant prob-  
ation officers.

By Mr. Thayer, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill in relation to assistant probation officers for the municipal court of the city of Boston, ought to pass ;

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House bills

Street railway  
companies,  
reports of.

Requiring street railway companies to contribute to the expense of printing their reports ; and

Secretary of  
State, duties of.

Requiring the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give a bond and report annually the transactions of his office ; and

State Lunatic  
Hospital at  
Northampton.

The House Resolve providing for the enlargement and repair of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton, — severally, ought to pass ;

Banks and  
banking, laws  
relating to. ;

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for an examination by the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks of the laws relating to banks and banking ;

Reformatory }  
Prison for }  
Women, sewage }  
from.

The House Bill relating to the disposal of sewage from the Reformatory Prison for Women ; and

Reformatory }  
Prison for }  
Women, sewer }  
from.

The House Resolve in relation to the sewer from the Reformatory Prison for Women, — severally, ought to pass ; and

Torrens system  
of land transfer.

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill authorizing the appointment of a commission to draft an act embodying the principles of the Torrens system of land transfer ;

Westborough  
Insane  
Hospital.

The Senate Resolve providing for the purchase of land and buildings thereon, and of a silo for the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

Free books for  
town libraries.

The House Bill authorizing the furnishing of one hundred dollars' worth of books to the free libraries of certain towns whose valuation does not exceed \$600,000 ; and

The House Resolve to provide for the publication of a new edition of the course of studies for ungraded schools, a new edition of the school laws and the purchase of educational books for the normal schools, — severally, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

School laws,  
etc., new  
edition of.

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill providing for a notice to be given to a person charged with liability for an injury caused by an intoxicated person, ought NOT to pass ;

Intoxicated per-  
sons, injuries  
caused by.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Shaw, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Benjamin W. Russell and others, a Bill to incorporate the Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

Essex County  
Safe Deposit  
and Trust  
Company.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of said city, a Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to alter and widen West Street in said city ;

Brockton, city  
of, — widening  
of West Street.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill concerning the registrar of the city of Boston ;

Boston, city of,  
— registrar.

By Mr. Stevens, from the committee on Education, on an order, a Bill relating to the schooling and limit of labor of children employed in manufacturing and other establishments ;

Children,  
schooling and  
limit of labor  
of.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on Expenditures, on the supplementary report of said board, a Bill authorizing the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners to sell certain property taken or purchased for sewerage purposes ; and

Metropolitan  
Sewerage Com-  
missioners.

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, on the third annual report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, a Bill to provide for operating the Charles River Valley system of sewerage ;

Charles River  
Valley system  
of sewerage,  
operation of.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on Expenditures, that the Senate Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a truant school, ought to pass, with an amendment striking out, in section 1, line 4, the word “ fifty,” and inserting in place thereof

Middlesex,  
county of, —  
truant school.

the word "twenty-five" (Messrs. Southwick, Clark and Stevens, of the Senate, dissenting) ;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

Manual training  
and industrial  
education.

By Mr. Stevens, from the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891, to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to manual training and industrial education ; and

State and municipal securities,  
exemption of, from taxation.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on Expenditures, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General as relates to the exemption of State and municipal securities from taxation ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Taken from the Table.*

Railroads,  
rights of way  
across.

On motion of Mr. Ray, the Senate Bill to prevent the acquisition of rights of way across railroads by prescription, was taken from the table ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until to-morrow.

*Petition.*

Cambridge, city  
of, — play-  
grounds.

Mr. Read of Middlesex presented a petition of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for authority to take land for play-grounds and parks and to borrow \$200,000 beyond the limit allowed by law for the purpose of defraying the cost thereof ; and the same was referred to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Butler, —

Administrative  
Boards and  
Commissions,  
joint special  
committee on.

*Ordered,* That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

Cities, com-  
mittee on.

*Ordered,* That the committee on Cities be granted until Friday, May 6, in which to report upon matters now before them.



On motion of Mr. Clark, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Drainage be granted until Wednesday, April 20, in which to report upon matters now before them. Drainage, committee on.

On motion of Mr. Smith, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws be granted until Friday, April 29, in which to report upon matters now before them. Election Laws, committee on.

On motion of Mr. Dame, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Fisheries and Game be granted until Monday, April 25, in which to report upon matters now before them. Fisheries and Game, committee on.

On motion of Mr. West, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be granted until Wednesday, April 20, in which to report upon matters now before them. Harbors and Public Lands, committee on.

On motion of Mr. Clark, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Manufactures be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them. Manufactures, committee on.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs be granted until Friday, April 22, in which to report upon matters now before them. Mercantile Affairs, committee on.

On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Military Affairs be granted until Wednesday, April 20, to report upon matters now before them. Military Affairs, committee on.

On motion of Mr. West, —

*Ordered*, That the joint special committee on Rapid Transit be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them. Rapid Transit, joint special committee on.

On motion of Mr. Mott, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Roads and Bridges be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them. Roads and Bridges, committee on.

On motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on State House be granted until Friday, April 29, in which to report upon matters now before them. State House, committee on.

On motion of Mr. Wyer, —

Water Supply,  
committee on.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Water Supply be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Second clerk of  
chief of district  
police, salary  
of.

A Bill to establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the chief of the district police (on the petition of James W. Hoitt); and

Resolves

Ella Raymond.

In favor of Ella Raymond (on the petition of the same); and

State Normal  
School at  
Bridgewater.

Providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Bridgewater, and the printing of a catalogue (on the annual report of the State Board of Education, in part);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

#### Bills

Melrose, town  
of, — town hall  
bonds.

To enable the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its town hall bonds (on the petition of the selectmen of said town);

People's Street  
Railway Com-  
pany.

To incorporate the People's Street Railway Company (on the petition of Fred S. Carr and others); and

Fire District  
No. 1 of South  
Hadley.

To authorize Fire District No. 1 of South Hadley to make an additional water loan (on the petition of the prudential committee of said district);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

State Primary  
School at  
Monson.

The Resolve to provide for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson (introduced on leave in the House, the Senate having previously concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
division of  
towns.

A Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the division of towns, came up, recommended to the committee on Constitutional Amendments, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the rule.

Chelsea, city of,  
— ward lines.

The petition of the mayor of the city of Chelsea for legislation to revise the ward lines of said city, and to

increase the number of wards (on which the committee on Cities had reported, in the House, leave to withdraw), came up, recommitted to the committee, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the rule.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on Resolutions relating to the establishment of a life-saving station at City Point; and the same were returned to the House for its action.

Boston, city of,  
— life-saving  
station at City  
Point.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a Resolve relative to the amount of the county tax for the county of Worcester (introduced on leave in the House); and the same was returned to the House for its action.

Worcester,  
county of, —  
county tax.

A Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations and of changing the name of said officer, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Commissioner  
of Foreign  
Mortgage Cor-  
porations.

The Senate Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, adding at the end thereof the following words: "Resolved, that the Massachusetts building, and as far as the same is under the control of the board of managers, the Massachusetts exhibit, be closed on the first of Lord's day."

World's Colum-  
bian Exposition.

Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendment, it was, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Notice was received from the House that the House Resolutions relative to giving the name of "Marblehead" to the new war-ship now building at South Boston; and

"Marblehead,"  
name for new  
war ship.

The Bill to amend an act authorizing foreign manufacturing corporations to hold real estate (severally introduced on leave in the House), — had severally been rejected by that branch.

Foreign manu-  
facturing cor-  
porations.

#### *House Petitions, etc.*

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of Amasa Pratt for the passage of an

Boston Sea-  
men's Friend  
Society.

act to confirm the proceedings of certain meetings of the town of Tyngsborough ; and the same was returned to the House for its action.

The following House petition, etc., were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Cape Cod Ship  
Canal at Bass  
River.

A petition of Alton P. Goss and others of Harwich in aid of the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation for building a ship canal across Cape Cod at Bass River ;

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Hours of labor,  
reduction of.

Remonstrances of Herbert Lyman and others ; J. Cumnock and others ; the officers and employees of the Nonantum Worsted Company of Newton ; the officers and employees of the Appleton Mills and the Kitson Machine Company of Lowell ; and the Parkhill Manufacturing Company of Fitchburg, — severally, against any reduction of the hours of labor ;

Severally to the committee on Labor.

### *Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Bills enacted.

To authorize the town of Andover to make an additional water loan ;

Providing for the appointment of a board of fire commissioners for the city of Malden and defining their powers and duties ;

Providing for the assignment of police officers for special service at agricultural and horticultural exhibitions ;

To authorize cities and towns to incur indebtedness for the purpose of paying damages occasioned by the taking of land for the alteration of grade crossings ;

To authorize the Holyhood Cemetery Association to take, hold, sell and convey certain real estate ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex ;

To provide a board of trustees of town donations of the town of Concord ;

Appropriating \$10,000 annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association ;

To regulate the taking of eels and white perch in the waters of the town of Mattapoisett ;

To exempt the Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall in Billerica from taxation ;

To provide an additional water supply for the city of Pittsfield ;

Providing for the payment by the Commonwealth of the burial expenses of soldiers and sailors dying in State institutions ; and

To define and establish the boundary line in tide-water between the city of Gloucester and the towns of Essex and Ipswich.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed, to wit : —

Providing for the printing and distribution of copies of the map showing the division of the Commonwealth into congressional districts ;

*Resolves passed, etc.*

In favor of Betsey Worthington ; and

In favor of David S. Beetle.

An engrossed Bill making an appropriation for compensation and expenses of the joint special committee on Municipal Charters, appointed by the Legislature of 1891 (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted, and was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

*Bill enacted and laid before the Governor.*

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill to provide for voting for electors of President and Vice-President of the United States, was considered, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Smith, the vote by which the Senate adopted the amendments, striking out, in section 1, lines 12 and 13, the words "one-eighth nor more than ;" also striking out, in lines 19 and 20, the word "three-sixteenths," and inserting in place thereof the word "one-quarter," — was reconsidered, and the amendments were rejected.

*Presidential electors, selection of.*

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Street railway  
employees,  
hours of labor  
of.

The Bill constituting ten hours in twelve consecutive hours a day's work for all conductors, drivers and motor men employed by or on behalf of any street railway company in any city or town, was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Champlin, laid on the table.

Chelsea, city of,  
— public park.

The Bill to authorize the city of Chelsea to take certain land in said city for a public building or for park purposes, was read a second time. Mr. Champlin moved that the bill be amended, in section 1, lines 3 and 4, by striking out the words "for the site of a public building or;" by striking out, at the end of line 4, the word "public," and by adding, in line 5, after the word "park," the word "way," — and these amendments were adopted by a vote of 11 to 2 (a quorum being present). The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The bills

To authorize the city of Boston to procure and prepare for public use one or more open spaces in said city;

To incorporate the Plymouth County Safe Deposit and Trust Company;

To enable the Beverly Marine Railway in Beverly to confirm its proceedings and convey its real estate;

To increase the penalty for the unauthorized removal of gravel, sand and other material from the beaches;

To authorize the town of Chatham to refund a portion of its debt;

To authorize the town of Hopkinton to make an additional water loan;

To legalize a vote of the town of Peabody providing for refunding a portion of the amount paid for a liquor license; and

To authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Trout arti-  
ficially raised,  
sale of.

The Senate Bill to permit the sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of April in each year, was read a third time, as previously amended, and considered; and the question on passing the bill to be engrossed was determined as follows, to wit: —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McEttrick, Michael J.

Messrs. McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Southwick, B. Frank — 18.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Eaton, William N.  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
Parkman, Henry  
Provin, William  
Ray, William F.

Messrs. Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 13.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.

Messrs. Hickox, Stephen A.  
McDonald, James W.  
Mott, Edward  
West, William H. — 8.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to give greater powers to cities and towns in relation to the construction of sewers, was read a third time. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out, in section 6, line 3 (as printed), the words "clause relating to sewers," and inserting in place thereof the words "fourth line of said section;" by striking out, in lines 5 and 6, the words "that the clause as amended shall," and inserting in place thereof the words "as to;" by striking out, in lines 6, 7 and 8, the words "debts incurred in constructing sewers within not exceeding thirty years," and inserting in place thereof the following words: "*Sect. 8.* All debts mentioned in the preceding section shall be payable within the following periods, namely: debts incurred in supplying the inhabitants with water, within not exceeding thirty years; debts incurred in constructing sewers, within not exceeding thirty years; and all other debts, within not exceeding ten years."

Sewers, construction of.

The amendments were adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Millbury Water Company.**

The Senate Bill to incorporate the Millbury Water Company, was read a third time; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Stevens, referred to the next General Court.

**Municipal liens upon real estate, recording of notice of.**

The Senate Bill providing for the recording of notice of municipal liens upon any real estate and defining the lands to be affected, was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Thayer, recommitted to the joint committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

**Senate bill.**

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness for sewerage purposes beyond the limit fixed by law, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Rockrimmon Building Company.**

The House Bill to incorporate the Rockrimmon Building Company, was read a third time and rejected.

**Merchandise, disposition of, in certain cases.**

The House Bill preventing the disposition of merchandise by consignees or factors contrary to the written conditions of sale, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

**House resolve.**

The House Resolve in favor of the town of Manchester, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**The Senate reports**

**Senate reports.**

Of the committee on Labor, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the chief of the Massachusetts district police as relates to women as factory inspectors, the inspection department, and the enforcement of inspection laws in factories, and in mechanical, manufacturing and mercantile establishments, the employment of children, and sweating system, the weavers' fine bill, the guarding of machinery, security of elevators and report of accidents;



Of the committee on Labor, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation ;

Of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, leave to withdraw, on the petition of N. W. Matthews and others for an act of incorporation as the Pilgrim Methodist Church of the United States of America, East Conference ;

Of the committee on Prisons, no further legislation necessary, on the fifth annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons, relating to prison labor ;

Of the committee on Prisons, no further legislation necessary, on the fourteenth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, on the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

Of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing for the grading and classification of prisoners confined in the House of Industry at Deer Island ; and

Of the committee on Prisons, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing and requiring the city of Boston to construct additional cells for prisoners confined in the House of Industry at Deer Island ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of George J. Carney and others that the laws in relation to the class of securities in which the funds of the savings banks may be invested be so amended as to embrace the bonds of street railway companies paying dividends ; House reports.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Channing Hazeltine and others for incorporation as the Shawmut Trust Company ;

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that the board of education may take and hold in trust for the Commonwealth any grant or devise of lands and any donation or bequest of money or other personal property made to the Commonwealth for any educational, historical, literary or scientific purposes, or for the establishment and maintenance of public libraries and reading rooms ; and providing for the safe keeping, management and investment

of said funds under suitable safeguards, requiring the officers intrusted with the care thereof to report to the General Court; also providing that, in ascertaining the income of the several funds, the net income from all the aggregate funds shall be divided pro rata to said several funds; also providing that when the income is by the terms of a gift, grant, devise or bequest to be paid to trustees, the receipt of such trustees shall be a sufficient discharge to the board of education; also providing that the Supreme Judicial Court may have jurisdiction in equity to hear and determine questions arising in the administration of the funds; also repealing section 2 of chapter 41 of the Public Statutes;

**House reports.**

Of the committee on Education, no further legislation necessary, on the 55th annual report of the Board of Education, and the 55th annual report of the secretary of the board;

Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to imposing a penalty upon gas companies of one thousand dollars for each violation of the provisions of section 7 of chapter 314 of the Acts of the year 1885, requiring gas companies to make returns to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to the appointment of a special committee to investigate the mercantile agencies of this State and to report as to the proper method of regulating their operations;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, at fourteen minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the selectmen of said town, a Bill to confirm certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Newbury ; Newbury, town of, — town meeting.

By the same Senator, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the selectmen of said town, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of North Brookfield ; North Brookfield, town of, — town meeting.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, on the petition of the same, a Bill to authorize the North Adams Fire District to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the year in which its debts are incurred ; North Adams Fire District.

By Mr. Carberry, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the 16th annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks (in part), a Bill in relation to enforcing the liability of shareholders in trust companies ; Shareholders in trust companies, liability of.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor of said city, a Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings ; Woburn, city of, — superintendent of public buildings.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on Expenditures, that the Senate Bill to establish an asylum for the chronic insane, ought to pass, in a new draft, entitled : “ An Act to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane ; ” Chronic insane, asylum for.

By Mr. Howard, from the committee on Labor, on so much of the Governor’s address as relates to the subject and on two orders, and sundry petitions, a Bill relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments (Messrs. Jenks and Green, of the House, dissenting) ; Minors and women, hours of labor of.

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of the same, a Bill to authorize the managers of the Boston Seamen’s Friend Society to Boston Seamen’s Friend Society.

hold additional real and personal estate and to ratify certain proceedings ;

State Prison  
grading and  
classifying of  
prisoners in.

By Mr. Eaton, from the committee on Prisons, on the twenty-first annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons (in part), a Bill to authorize the grading and classifying of prisoners in the State Prison ;

Certain police  
officers, notifi-  
cation of ap-  
pointment of.

By Mr. Read of Middlesex, from the same committee, on the twenty-first annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons (in part), a Bill to require city and town clerks to notify the Commissioners of Prisons of the appointment of certain police officers ; and

Quincy and  
Boston Street  
Railway Com-  
pany.

By Mr. Kennedy, from the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of said company, a Bill to authorize the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to locate its tracks in the towns of Weymouth, Braintree and Milton, and in a certain portion of the city of Boston ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

Drunkenness,  
punishment of.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill relating to the punishment of drunkenness (introduced on leave), ought NOT to pass ;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Maintenance of  
the insane, re-  
imbursement  
of expense to  
certain towns.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill authorizing the reimbursement of expense incurred by certain towns in the maintenance of the insane ; and

The House resolves

Massachusetts  
Hospital for  
Dipsomaniacs  
and Inebriates.

Providing for repairs, current expenses and the further equipment of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ; and

James K.  
Barbour.

In favor of James K. Barbour, — severally, ought to pass ; and

Justice of  
first district  
court of Eastern  
Worcester,  
salary of.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the first district court of Eastern Worcester ; and

George O.  
Bent.

The Senate Resolve in favor of George O. Bent ; and  
The House resolves

State Normal  
School at Fram-  
ingham.

Providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Framingham ; and

Massachusetts  
Charitable Eye  
and Ear  
Infirmary.

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, — severally, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk, ought to pass ;

Suffolk, county of, — clerical assistance to register of probate and insolvency.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Bill to provide a bounty for the destruction of noisome animals, ought not to pass ;

Noisome animals, bounty for destruction of.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Read of Middlesex, from the committee on Education, on so much of the Governor's address as relates thereto, and on the report of the commission appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to investigate the subject, a Resolve providing for the continuation of the investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education ;

Manual training and industrial education.

By Mr. Gilman, from the committee on Federal Relations, on the message from His Excellency the Governor relating to the subject, a Resolve relating to the appropriate representation of the soldiers of the Massachusetts Continental Line on the battle monument now being erected at Trenton, New Jersey ;

Battle monument at Trenton, N. J., representation of Massachusetts soldiers.

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order and a petition relating to the subject, a Bill providing for the inspection of steam boilers, and the licensing of persons in charge of steam engines, and to provide for the better protection of life and property from accidents caused by unskilful and careless management of steam apparatus ;

Steam boilers, inspection of.

By Mr. Read of Middlesex, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the Bill to amend an act to establish a Naval Battalion to be attached to the Volunteer Militia (introduced on leave), a Bill to establish a Naval Brigade to be attached to the Volunteer Militia ;

Naval Brigade.

By Mr. Eaton, from the committee on Prisons, on the twenty-first annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons (in part), a Bill relating to the identification of criminals ; and

Criminals, identification of.

By Mr. Read of Middlesex, from the same committee, on the twenty-first annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons (in part), a Resolve to provide for the pur-

Massachusetts Reformatory, books for library of.

chase of books for the library at the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Assistant  
district attorney  
for Southern  
District.

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Hosea M. Knowlton, district attorney for the Southern District of Massachusetts, for legislation providing for the appointment of an assistant district attorney ;

Register of  
deeds and  
clerks of courts  
of the several  
counties, —  
offices of.

By the same Senator, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Arthur A. Averill and others for the passage of the bill relating to the office of the register of deeds of the several counties, and for legislation to regulate the office of clerk of courts in the several counties ;

Governor's  
address, —  
lobby.

By Mr. Parkman, from the joint committee on Rules, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the lobby ;

Legislative  
hearings, adver-  
tisement of.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 371 of the Acts of the year 1885, so as to ensure more efficient advertising of legislative committee hearings ;

Boston, city of,  
— granting of  
liquor licenses.

By Mr. Butler, from the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to creating a special board for the granting of licenses in the city of Boston, and the order relative to transferring the powers now exercised by the board of police for the city of Boston, as license commissioners, to a new and separate board to be created for that purpose ;

Board of Com-  
missioners of  
Savings Banks,  
report of.

By Mr. Nutter, from the committee on Banks and Banking, no further legislation necessary, on the 16th annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ;

Id.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on Part 2 of the 16th annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ;

Canal from  
Nantucket  
Sound to Cape  
Cod Bay, —  
Thomas H.  
Bacon, et alæ.

By Mr. West, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas H. Bacon, Martin P. Kennard and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company, for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nan-

tucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay (and sundry petitions in aid thereof) ;

By the same Senator, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company for an amendment of the act to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company and of its own charter ;

Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George S. Hall and others for the repeal of the charter of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, or for the grant of a similar charter to said Hall and others ;

Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, — George S. Hall.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering municipalities to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity, so as to provide that cities may engage in the manufacture, distribution and sale of gas by a two-thirds vote of the board of aldermen, with the approval of the mayor, subject to the ratification of a majority of voters voting thereon at a municipal election, and so as to provide that when such ratification has been refused at a municipal election the question of ratification may again be submitted to the voters for ratification within two years thereafter ;

Gas and electricity, manufacture of, by cities.

By Mr. Drury, from the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to equalizing the salaries of the district attorneys of the Commonwealth ;

District attorneys, salaries of.

By Mr. West, from the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of Frank A. Bartholomew for the incorporation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, with authority to build elevated railways in Boston and its suburbs ; and

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — Frank A. Bartholomew.

By Mr. Kennedy, from the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John Storer Cobb for legislation compelling the West End Street Railway Company to keep a record of accidents ;

West End Street Railway Company, — record of accidents.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. McEttrick, the House Report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to raising the compulsory school age to

Compulsory school age.

fifteen or sixteen years, and of providing that such shall be the compulsory school age in all towns and cities whether opportunity is given for industrial education or not, was taken from the table and accepted, in concurrence.

Massachusetts  
Baptist  
Charitable  
Society, —  
Lamson Home.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, the motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate rejected the House Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to receive and hold the property now held by the Lamson Home, was taken from the table. The motion to reconsider prevailed, and, on the recurring question, the Senate refused to reject the bill and the same was placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

#### *Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. McDonald, —

Probate and  
Insolvency,  
joint committee  
on.

*Ordered*, That the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency be granted until Friday, April 22, in which to report upon matters referred to them.

On motion of Mr. Raymond, —

Railroads, com-  
mittee on.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Railroads be granted further time in which to report upon matters referred to them.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Judges of  
probate and  
insolvency,  
retirement of.

A Bill to provide for the retirement of judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Probate and Insolvency. .

#### Bills

Special Justices  
of district court  
of Northern  
Berkshire.

Relative to the compensation of the special justices of the district court of Northern Berkshire (on the petition of the same) ; and

Board of Gas  
and Electric  
Light Commis-  
sioners.

Relating to the returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (on the annual report of said board, in part) ;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.



## Bills

Relative to appointments on the Governor's staff (introduced on leave in the House);

Governor's staff, — appointments.

To amend chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, and subsequent acts in amendment thereof, so as to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service (on an order);

Employees, compensation of, for personal injuries.

To change the name of the South Adams Fire District in Adams, and to enable it to refund its indebtedness (on the petition of said district); and

South Adams Fire District in Adams.

To provide for the preservation of the public health in the town of Nantucket (on the petition of A. H. Gardner); and

Nantucket, town of, — public health.

A Resolve in favor of the town of Nantucket (on the petition of the selectmen of said town);

Nantucket, town of.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

The Resolve to provide for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson (introduced on leave in the House, and on which the Senate, at a previous session, concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule), was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Meade, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

State Primary School at Monson.

## Reports

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to vesting the construction of the public parks of the city of Boston in one of the regular departments of said city; the work to be laid out by the board of park commissioners, with the approval of the mayor; said board also to have the power to purchase land for park purposes, with the approval of the mayor; the said parks as completed to be placed in charge of one of the regular departments of said city;

Boston, city of, — public parks.

Of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to industrial education and manual training in public schools, and the employment of children in manufacturing establishments; and

Industrial education and manual training in public schools.

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Agriculture on the best methods to be adopted in order to protect the citizens of this Commonwealth against the dangers to

Tuberculosis.

human life and health which may arise from the presence of tuberculosis in the food products of cattle ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

Harbor and  
Land Commis-  
sioners, —  
expense of  
hearing on East  
Boston bridge.

A Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to providing that the Commonwealth shall pay the expense incurred in the employment of a stenographer and of printing the evidence in the hearing before the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, relating to the building of a bridge between Boston and East Boston, said board having no appropriations therefor, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on Finance, — came up; and the Senate concurred in so much thereof as relates to the discharge of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Membership in  
the General  
Court,  
certificates of.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a Resolve relating to certificates of membership in the General Court (introduced on leave in the House); and the same was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

### *House Petition, etc.*

The following House petition and remonstrances were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Andrew J.  
Pixley.

A petition of A. R. Willard that Andrew J. Pixley may be made eligible to receive State aid ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Worcester,  
county of, —  
sessions of the  
probate court  
in Templeton.

Remonstrances of the selectmen of the town of Gardner and others ; and the selectmen of the town of Athol and others, — severally, against the discontinuance of the sessions of the probate court in Templeton ;

Severally to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth.

### *House Order.*

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Agriculture,  
committee on.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Agriculture be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of their duties.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill to authorize the taking of menhaden and alewives for bait in the waters of Buzzard's Bay, was considered, the main question being on ordering the same to a third reading.

*Buzzard's Bay,  
— taking of  
menhaden and  
alewives for  
bait.*

Mr. McDonald moved that the bill be amended by the substitution of a bill with the same title, and this amendment was adopted. The bill, as amended, was then refused a third reading, by a vote of 11 to 12. Mr. Butler moved that this vote be reconsidered, and the motion was, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

The following House amendment to the Senate Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition, was considered, viz. :—

*World's  
Columbian  
Exposition.*

*Resolved*, That the Massachusetts building, and, as far as the same is under the control of the board of managers, the Massachusetts exhibit be closed on the first or Lord's day.

On motion of Mr. Simpkins, the amendment was amended by adding, at the end thereof, the words "if such action is deemed best by said managers," and adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. On motion of Mr. Southwick, Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended.

The bills

To incorporate the Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

*Bills.*

Relating to the schooling and limit of labor of children employed in manufacturing and other establishments ;

Concerning the registrar of the city of Boston ;

To provide for operating the Charles River Valley system of sewerage ;

Authorizing the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners to sell certain property taken or purchased for sewerage purposes ;

To authorize the city of Brockton to alter and widen West Street in said city ;

Authorizing the appointment of a commission to draft an act embodying the principles of the Torrens system of land transfer ;

## Bills.

Relating to the commitment of insane persons ;

In relation to assistant probation officers for the municipal court of the city of Boston ;

Relating to the disposal of sewage from the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

Requiring street railway companies to contribute to the expense of printing their reports ;

Requiring the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give a bond and report annually the transactions of his office ;

To enable the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its town hall bonds ;

To incorporate the People's Street Railway Company ;

To authorize Fire District, No. 1, of South Hadley to make an additional water loan ; and

Authorizing the furnishing of one hundred dollars' worth of books to the free libraries of certain towns whose valuation does not exceed six hundred thousand dollars ; and

The resolves

## Resolves.

Providing for an examination by the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks of the laws relating to banks and banking ;

Providing for the purchase of land and buildings thereon and of a silo for the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

Providing for the enlargement and repair of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton ;

In relation to the sewer from the Reformatory Prison for Women ; and

To provide for the publication of a new edition of the course of studies for ungraded schools, a new edition of the school laws and the purchase of educational books for the normal schools ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Middlesex,  
county of, —  
truant school.

The Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a truant school, was read a second time ; and, pending the question on the adoption of the amendment recommended by the committee on Expenditures, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Southwick, postponed until Tuesday, April 19, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill to prevent the acquisition of rights of way across railroads by prescription, was considered and passed to be engrossed. Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bills

To authorize the city of Boston to procure and prepare for public use, one or more open spaces in said city ; and Senate bills.

To incorporate the Plymouth County Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill providing for a notice to be given to a person charged with liability for an injury caused by an intoxicated person, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary. Intoxicated persons, injuries caused by.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Chelsea to take certain land in said city for a public building or for park purposes, was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. On motion of Mr. Champlin, the title was amended so as to read as follows : " An Act to authorize the city of Chelsea to take certain land in said city for a park way." Chelsea, city of, — public park.

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments.

The House bills

To authorize the Beverly Marine Railway in Beverly to confirm its proceedings and convey its real estate (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; House bills.

To increase the penalty for the unauthorized removal of gravel, sand and other material from the beaches ;

To authorize the town of Chatham to refund a portion of its debt ; and

To authorize the town of Hopkinton to make an additional water loan ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill to provide for voting for electors of President and Vice-President of the United States, was read a third time ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further con- Presidential electors, selection of.

sideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Smith, postponed until Monday next.

Peabody, town of, — refunding of liquor license fee.

The House Bill to legalize a vote of the town of Peabody providing for refunding a portion of the amount paid for a liquor license, was read a third time; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Champlin, postponed until Monday next.

Connecticut River Railroad Company.

The House Bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock, was read a third time.

Mr. Merritt moved that the bill be amended by striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "*Sect. 2.* One-half of the shares of said increase of capital stock shall be sold at auction in the manner provided by section fifty-nine of chapter one hundred and twelve of the Public Statutes, in the case of shares of increase of capital stock."

Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Smith, postponed until Tuesday, April 26.

#### The Senate reports

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to manual training and industrial education; and

Of the committee on Expenditures, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General as relates to the exemption of State and municipal securities from taxation;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ray, at ten minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, April 18, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on an order (in part), a Bill concerning records of births, deaths and marriages ; Births, deaths and marriages, records of.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, on an order (in part), a Bill for the better enforcement of the laws requiring monthly reports of births ; and Births, monthly reports of.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, on an order (in part), a Bill relating to the record and return of marriages ; Marriages, record and returns of.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to revising the laws relating to city registrars and city clerks, so as to place the gathering of facts and statistics which relate to health in the city of Boston, with the board of health of said city, instead of with the city clerk or city registrar ; Boston, city of, — statistics relating to health.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Fernald, a petition of Henry M. Loring and others ; and by Mr. McDonald, a petition of Hiram Temple and others, — severally, for an appropriation of \$25,000 to be expended on the province lands by the trustees of Public Reservations ; Public reservations.

Severally to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

*Placed on File.*

Women and  
children, hours  
of labor of.

Mr. Howard presented petitions of James Dunn and others; Fred Bishop and others; and Thomas Lewis and others, — severally, for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children; and the same were placed on file.

## . PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Bills

Assistant clerk  
of South Boston  
municipal  
court, salary of.

To establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the municipal court of the South Boston district (on the petition of Adrian B. Smith);

Clerk of police  
court of  
Newton,  
salary of.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton (on the petition of Henry L. Whittlesey);

Clerk of district  
court of East  
Norfolk, salary  
of.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of East Norfolk (on the petition of John P. S. Churchill);

Clerk of Rox-  
bury municipal  
court, salary of.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district (on the petition of the same); and

Clerk of 4th dis-  
trict court of  
Eastern Middle-  
sex, salary of.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex (on the petition of Benjamin E. Bond); and

## Resolves

State Industrial  
School for  
Girls.

Providing for repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls (on the report of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools, in part); and

Lawrence, city  
of, — armory.

Relative to furnishing the new armory at Lawrence (on the report of the Adjutant-General, in part);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

## Bills

Bridgewaters  
Water Com-  
pany.

To authorize the Bridgewaters Water Company to issue a new series of bonds (on the petition of the same);

Board of Gas  
and Electric  
Light Commis-  
sioners, returns  
to.

Requiring certain returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (on the report of said board, in part);

West Tisbury,  
town of.

To incorporate the town of West Tisbury (on the petition of Allen Look and others);

Marblehead,  
town of, —  
beaches.

To protect the beaches and shores of the town of Marblehead (on the petition of the selectmen of said town);

Intoxicating  
liquors, — re-  
count of ballots  
on question of  
granting of  
licenses.

To provide for recounting ballots cast in towns upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxi-



cating liquors (on the petition of Alfred Noon and others) ;

To enable the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its water fund bonds (on the petition of the selectmen of Melrose, town of, — water bonds.

To authorize the town of Needham to make an additional water loan (on the petition of the water commissioners of said town) ; and Needham, town of, — water loan.

To permit the Foxborough Water Supply District to supply water to residents of Foxborough outside the district (on the petition of E. P. Carpenter and others) ; Foxborough Water Supply District.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

### Reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Isaac Rosnosky for the repeal of chapter 265 of the Acts of the year 1889, entitled : “ An Act to provide for the transfer and management of Mount Hope Cemetery in the city of Boston ; ” Mount Hope Cemetery.

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to uniting the cities of Boston and Cambridge (and a petition of John W. Cove- Cambridge, city of, — annexation to Boston.

ney relating to the subject) ; and  
Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to compelling street railways of the Commonwealth to apply to their open cars the most approved pattern of guards for the protection of life ; Street railway cars, guards on.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

A Report of the committee on Woman Suffrage, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the petitions of S. E. Bridgeman and others for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors, and in the election of municipal officers, as relates to the registration of names for voting, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Election Laws, — was read and accepted, in concurrence. Woman suffrage, — registration of names of women for voting.

The House Resolutions relating to the establishment of a life saving station at City Point (on which the Senate had previously concurred in the suspension of the 12th Life saving station at City Point, South Boston.

joint rule), came up, referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands; and the Senate concurred in the reference.

*Placed on File.*

**Hours of labor.** Sundry House remonstrances of Joseph A. Baker and others; Arnold B. Sanford, Simeon B. Chase and others; F. E. Clarke and others; W. E. Parker and others; and W. F. Sherman and others,—severally, against any reduction of the hours of labor,—were severally placed on file.

*House Orders.*

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence:—

**Agriculture,  
committee on.**

*Ordered,* That the committee on Agriculture be granted until April 29 to report upon matters before them.

**Public Health,  
committee on.**

*Ordered,* That the committee on Public Health be allowed until Friday, April 29, to report upon matters before them.

*Bills and Resolves Laid Before the Governor.*

The following bills, which had, at a previous session, been passed to be enacted, were severally signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:—

**Enacted bills  
laid before the  
Governor.**

To authorize the town of Andover to make an additional water loan;

Providing for the appointment of a board of fire commissioners for the city of Malden and defining their powers and duties;

Providing for the assignment of police officers for special service at agricultural and horticultural exhibitions;

To authorize cities and towns to incur indebtedness for the purpose of paying damages occasioned by the taking of land for the alteration of grade crossings;

To authorize the Holyhood Cemetery Association to take, hold, sell and convey certain real estate;

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown;

To establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex;

To provide a board of trustees of town donations of the town of Concord;

Appropriating \$10,000 annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association ;

To regulate the taking of eels and white perch in the waters of the town of Mattapoissett ;

To exempt the Thomas Talbot Memorial Hall in Billerica from taxation ;

To provide an additional water supply for the city of Pittsfield ;

Providing for the payment by the Commonwealth of the burial expenses of soldiers and sailors dying in State institutions ; and

To define and establish the boundary line in tide-water between the city of Gloucester and the towns of Essex and Ipswich.

The following engrossed resolves, which had, at a previous session, been passed, were severally signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Providing for the printing and distribution of copies of the map showing the division of the Commonwealth into congressional districts ;

*Resolves laid before the Governor.*

In favor of Betsey Worthington ; and

In favor of David S. Beetle.

### *Bill Enacted.*

An engrossed Bill to establish the salaries of the first and second assistant clerks of the courts for the county of Middlesex (which originated in the Senate), was passed to be enacted, and was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

*Bill enacted and laid before the Governor.*

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate, on Friday last, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to authorize the taking of menhaden and alewives for bait in the waters of Buzzard's Bay, was considered ; and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit : —

*Buzzard's Bay, — menhaden and alewife fisheries.*

### YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Gilman, Gorham D.

Messrs. Howard, Robert  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Read, John (Middl'x) — 10.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
 Carberry, William H.  
 Carter, Richard A.  
 Champlin, Arthur B.  
 Drury, John E.  
 Eaton, William N.  
 Fernald, B. Marvin  
 Kennedy, Patrick J.  
 McDonald, James W.  
 McEttrick, Michael J.  
 McNary, William S.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
 Parkman, Henry  
 Ray, William F.  
 Raymond, Francis H.  
 Reade, John (Suffolk)  
 Simpkins, John  
 Southwick, B. Frank  
 Stevens, Eben S.  
 Thayer, John R.  
 West, William H.  
 Wyer, Edwin F. — 22.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Clark, Wilder P.  
 Hickox, Stephen A.  
 Kimball, Henry A.  
 Merritt, Christopher C.

Messrs. Provin, William  
 Shaw, Edward P.  
 Smith, Sidney P. — 7.

So the motion to reconsider was lost.

Minors and  
 women, hours  
 of labor of.

The Bill relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments, was read a second time. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Simpkins, postponed until Monday, April 25.

Bill.

The Bill relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk, was considered and ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The bills

To authorize the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to locate its tracks in the towns of Weymouth, Braintree and Milton and in a certain portion of the city of Boston ;

To authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings ;

In relation to enforcing the liability of shareholders in trust companies ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the first district court of Eastern Worcester ;

To confirm the proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of North Brookfield ;

To confirm certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Newbury ;

To provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane ;

To authorize the grading and classifying of prisoners in the State Prison ;

To require city and town clerks to notify the Commissioners of Prisons of the appointment of certain police officers ;

To authorize the North Adams Fire District to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the year in which its debts are incurred ;

To authorize the managers of the Boston Seamen's Friend Society to hold additional real and personal estate and to ratify certain proceedings ;

To authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to receive and hold the property now held by the Lamson Home ;

Authorizing the reimbursement of expense incurred by certain towns in the maintenance of the insane ;

Relative to appointments on the Governor's staff ;

To amend chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, and subsequent acts in amendment thereof, so as to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service ;

To change the name of the South Adams Fire District in Adams and to enable it to refund its indebtedness ; and

To provide for the preservation of the public health in the town of Nantucket ; and

The resolves

In favor of George O. Bent ;

Resolves.

Providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Framingham ;

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary ;

Providing for repairs, current expenses and the further equipment of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ;

In favor of James K. Barbour ; and

In favor of the town of Nantucket ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bills

To incorporate the Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

Senate bills.

To provide for operating the Charles River Valley system of sewerage ;

**Senate bills.** Authorizing the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners to sell certain property taken or purchased for sewerage purposes ;

To authorize the city of Brockton to alter and widen West Street in said city ; and

Authorizing the appointment of a commission to draft an Act embodying the principles of the Torrens system of land transfer ; and

The Senate resolves

**Senate resolves.** Providing for an examination by the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks of the laws relating to banks and banking ; and

Providing for the purchase of land and buildings and for the purchase of a silo for the Westborough Insane Hospital (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**Boston, city of,  
— registrar.**

The Senate Bill concerning the registrar of the city of Boston, was read a third time ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Butler, laid on the table.

**Drunkenness,  
punishment of.**

The Bill relating to the punishment of drunkenness, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

**Noisome animals, bounty  
for destruction  
of.**

The Bill to provide a bounty for the destruction of noisome animals, was considered ; and, pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Stevens, postponed until to-morrow.

**House bill.**

The House Bill to legalize a vote of the town of Peabody providing for refunding a portion of the amount paid for a liquor license, was considered, and, by a vote of 15 to 2 (a quorum being present), was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**House bills.**

The House bills

Relating to the disposal of sewage from the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

Requiring street railway companies to contribute to the expense of printing their reports ;

To authorize the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its town hall bonds (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To incorporate the People's Street Railway Company ;

To authorize Fire District No. 1 of South Hadley to make an additional water loan ;

Authorizing the furnishing of one hundred dollars' worth of books to the free libraries of certain towns whose valuation does not exceed six hundred thousand dollars ; and

Relating to the commitment of insane persons ; and

The House resolves

Providing for the enlargement and repair of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton ; House resolves.

In relation to the sewer from the Reformatory Prison for Women ; and

To provide for the publication of a new edition of the course of studies for ungraded schools, a new edition of the school laws and the purchase of educational books for the normal schools ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill requiring the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give a bond and report annually the transactions of his office, was read a third time, amended, on motion of Mr. West, by adding at the end of section 1, the words "He may appoint a cashier, for whose conduct he shall be accountable," and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. Secretary of State, duties of.

The House Bill to provide for voting for electors of President and Vice-President of the United States, was considered, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence. Pending this question, Mr. Thayer moved that the bill be amended, in section 2, line 7, by inserting after the word "group," the words "*provided, however,* that if such cross mark X is placed in the space where the names of a group of candidates are printed, it may be counted as a vote for all the candidates in such group." Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Simpkins, postponed until Wednesday next. Presidential electors, manner of voting for.

**The Senate reports****Senate reports.**

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to with draw, on the petition of Arthur A. Averill and others for the passage of the bill relating to the office of the register of deeds for the several counties, and for legislation to regulate the office of clerk of courts in the several counties ;

Of the joint committee on Rules, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the lobby ;

Of the joint committee on Rules, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 371 of the Acts of the year 1885, so as to ensure more efficient advertising of legislative committee hearings ;

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to creating a special board for the granting of licenses in the city of Boston ; and the order relative to transferring the powers now exercised by the board of police for the city of Boston, as license commissioners, to a new and separate board to be created for that purpose ;

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, no further legislation necessary, on the 16th annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ;

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, no further legislation necessary, on Part 2 of the 16th annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ;

Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering municipalities to manufacture and distribute gas and electricity, so as to provide that cities may engage in the manufacture, distribution and sale of gas by a two-thirds vote of the board of aldermen, with the approval of the mayor, subject to the ratification of a majority of voters voting thereon at a municipal election, and so as to provide that when such ratification has been refused at a municipal election the question of ratification may again be submitted to the voters for ratification within two years thereafter ;

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to equalizing the salaries of the district attorneys of the Commonwealth ;



Of the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of Frank A. Bartholomew for the incorporation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, with authority to build elevated railways in Boston and its suburbs; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John Storer Cobb for legislation compelling the West End Street Railway Company to keep a record of accidents;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on the Judiciary, Senate report. leave to withdraw, on the petition of Hosea M. Knowlton, district attorney for the Southern District of Massachusetts, for legislation providing for the appointment of an assistant district attorney, was accepted.

The Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas H. Bacon, Martin P. Kennard and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company, for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay (and sundry petitions in aid thereof), was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Simpkins, laid on the table. Cape Cod Canal, — Thomas H. Bacon, Martin P. Kennard and others.

The Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company for an amendment of the act to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company and of its own charter, was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Simpkins, laid on the table. Cape Cod Canal, — Cape Cod Ship Canal Company.

The Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George S. Hall and others for the repeal of the charter of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, or for the grant of a similar charter to said Hall and others, was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Simpkins, laid on the table. Cape Cod Canal, — George S. Hall.

The House reports

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to vesting the construction of the pub- House report.

lic parks for the city of Boston in one of the regular departments of said city; the work to be laid out by the board of park commissioners, with the approval of the mayor; said board also to have the power to purchase land for park purposes, with the approval of the mayor; the said parks as completed to be placed in charge of one of the regular departments of said city;

House reports.

Of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to industrial education and manual training in public schools, and the employment of children in manufacturing establishments; and

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Agriculture on the best methods to be adopted in order to protect the citizens of this Commonwealth against the dangers to human life and health which may arise from the presence of tuberculosis in the food products of cattle;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick, at twenty-eight minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet tomorrow at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, April 19, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Champlin in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Dr. Strong of Newton.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate bills

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Essex; and

Relating to the identification of criminals; and

The Senate resolves

Relating to the appropriate representation of the soldiers of the Massachusetts Continental Line on the battle monument now being erected at Trenton, New Jersey; and

To provide for the purchase of books for the library at the Massachusetts Reformatory, — severally, ought to pass;

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill in relation to the issue of bonds for the furnishing of the court house for the county of Suffolk, and the expenditure of the proceeds thereof; and

The House Resolve in favor of Ella Raymond, — severally, ought to pass; and

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for a continuation of the investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education; and

The House bills

To establish the salary of the first assistant district attorney for the Suffolk district; and

Relating to the returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners; and

The House resolves

Providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Bridgewater and the printing of a catalogue; and

Providing for the finishing of the exterior of the Normal Art School Building, — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

County commissioners for Essex County, salaries of. Criminals, identification of.

Battle monument at Trenton, N. J.

Massachusetts Reformatory, — library.

Suffolk, county of, — court house.

Ella Raymond.

Manual training and industrial education.

Assistant district attorney for Suffolk district, salary of.

Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, returns of.

State Normal School at Bridgewater.

Normal Art School Building.

Westport  
River, bridge  
across east  
branch of.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Bristol to construct a bridge and highway across the east branch of Westport River, ought NOT to pass ; and

Pharmacy,  
regulation of  
practice of.

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy, ought NOT to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question being, in each case, on the rejection thereof.

Pauperism and  
crime.

By Mr. Meade, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the Board of Lunacy and Charity (in part), a Resolve relating to the burdens of pauperism and crime imposed on the State by immigrants and others ;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Boston, city of,  
— salaries of  
common  
councilmen.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the president of the common council of the city of Boston for legislation authorizing salaries to be paid members of said common council ; and

Subway Com-  
pany in Boston,  
— Henry C.  
Spalding.

By Mr. West, from the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Curtis Spalding for the incorporation of the Subway Company, with authority to build underground railways in Boston ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Placed on File.*

Women and  
children, hours  
of labor of.

Mr. Howard presented a petition of Thomas Reeves and others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to 56 hours a week ; and the same was placed on file.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

County commis-  
sioners for  
Plymouth  
County, salaries  
of.

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Plymouth (on an order) ; and

To establish the salary of the first clerk in the office of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks (on the petition of James O. Otis) ; and

Clerk of Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks, salary of.

#### Resolves

Relative to indexing the names of soldiers of the war of the rebellion in the office of the Adjutant-General (on the annual report of the Adjutant-General, in part) ; and

Soldiers, indexing of names of.

Relative to the amount of the county tax for the county of Worcester (introduced on leave in the House) ;

Worcester, county of, — county tax.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

A Bill to permit the Wellesley Congregational Church to remove bodies from a portion of its old cemetery and devote the land to the use of the church (on the petition of Albert Jennings and others) ; and

Wellesley Congregational Church.

A Resolve in favor of Andrew C. Scott and David L. Adamson (on the petition of Patrick J. Kennedy) ;

Andrew C. Scott and David L. Adamson.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

#### Reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the fifth annual report of the Controller of County Accounts ;

Controller of County Accounts, report of.

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 388 of the Acts of the year 1888, so as to create and affix a penalty for the making by brokers, or money loaners, of loans at a greater rate of interest than eighteen per cent. per annum ; and also to change the period of time for which said rates may be collected when the debt is paid before the expiration of that period ; also to reduce or eliminate entirely the provision making an allowance for the expenses incurred in making loans ;

Rate of interest on loans.

Of the joint committee on Rules, no legislation necessary, on the order relative to providing that all legislative agents or lobbyists shall be excluded from the reading and cloak rooms of the State House ;

Lobbyists.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending the laws on banks and banking so that when a deposit is made in a savings bank or institution for savings, with conditions thereto attached, the corporation shall be bound to pay, and shall pay, when called upon, the party or parties

Deposits in savings banks, etc.

entitled thereto, strictly according to said conditions, and a payment so made shall discharge the corporation from liability to any other party making claim thereto; and providing that the executor of any will or the administrator upon any estate, into whose possession a book or books of deposit in a savings bank or institution for savings shall be, or come, by reason of acting in said capacities, having conditions attached thereto, shall deliver to the party or parties entitled by said conditions to receive the same said books of deposit without including the amounts due in such books in their accounts as executor or administrator;

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate:

Kellen's Index  
Digest.

On the order relative to providing that one copy of Kellen's Index Digest shall be furnished to every city and town in the Commonwealth at the expense of the Commonwealth; and

Rapid Transit  
Commission,  
report of.

On the order relative to printing immediately 3,000 copies of the report of the Rapid Transit Commission;

State Board of  
Lunacy and  
Charity, report  
of.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the 13th annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity;

Of the joint special committee on Public Reservations, no legislation necessary:

Statistics concern-  
ing forests,  
woodlands and  
public parks.  
Charles River  
Improvement  
Commission,  
report of.

On the order relative to the collection of statistics and information concerning forests, woodlands and public parks; and

Boston and  
New York,  
quicker trans-  
portation be-  
tween.

On the first report of the Charles River Improvement Commission;

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to securing quicker railroad transportation and better service between the cities of Boston and New York; and

Street railway  
cars, fenders on.

Of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to compelling street railways of the Commonwealth to apply to their cars the most approved pattern of fenders for the protection of limb and life;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

### *Annual Report.*

Part I. of the  
37th report of  
the Insurance  
Commissioner,  
— fire and  
marine  
insurance.

Part I. of the 37th annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to fire and marine insurance, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Insurance.

Notice was received from the House that the Resolve relating to the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the incorporation of the town of Gloucester (introduced on leave in the Senate), had been rejected by that branch.

Gloucester, city of, — 250th anniversary celebration.

A Bill to regulate railroad fares (on an order), came up, recommitted to the committee on Railroads, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the question on concurring therein was determined as follows, to wit:—

Railroad fares, regulation of.

## YEAS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Thayer, John R. — 13.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 19.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McNary, William S.  
Nichols, George K.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Stevens, Eben S. — 7.

So the Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

The Senate Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition, came up, the House having non-concurred in the adoption of the Senate amendment to the House amendment, adding at the end thereof the words "if such action is deemed best by said managers." Pending the question on receding from the amendment, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Gilman, postponed until tomorrow.

World's Columbian Exposition.

Administrative  
Boards and  
Commissions,  
joint special  
committee on.

The Senate order, — "That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them," came up, adopted, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out the words "further time," and inserting in place thereof the words "until April 29." The Senate non-concurred in the adoption of the amendment and the order was returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

Roads and  
Bridges, com-  
mittee on.

The Senate order, — "That the committee on Roads and Bridges be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them," — came up, adopted, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out the words "further time," and inserting in place thereof the words "until April 29." The Senate non-concurred in the adoption of the amendment and the order was returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

Election Laws,  
committee on.

The Senate order, — "That the committee on Election Laws be granted until Friday, April 29, in which to report upon matters now before them," came up, adopted, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out the words "April 29," and inserting in place thereof the words "May 6;" and the Senate concurred therein.

Manufactures,  
committee on.

The Senate order, — "That the committee on Manufactures be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them," came up, adopted, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out the words "further time," and inserting in place thereof the words "until May 2;" and the Senate concurred therein.

#### *House Petition.*

Intoxicating  
liquors, —  
crime and  
pauperism.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of the officers of the Massachusetts Total Abstinence Society for the appointment of a commission of inquiry to ascertain the relations of the liquor traffic to crime and pauperism, and its effects upon the financial and industrial interests of the Commonwealth; and the same was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

#### *Placed on File.*

Hours of labor.

Remonstrances of William Whitman, president of the Association of Wool Manufacturers, and others against any reduction of the hours of labor in factories, were severally placed on file.



*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a truant school, was considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading. Pending the amendment recommended by the committee on Expenditures, Mr. McDonald moved that the bill be amended, in section 1, line 3, by striking out the word "a," and inserting in place thereof the words "one or more;" and by striking out, in the same section and the same line, the word "school," and inserting in place thereof the word "schools;" also in section 2, by inserting at the end of line 1, the words "or schools."

Middlesex,  
county of,—  
truant school.

Mr. Fernald rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that the proposed amendments, if adopted, would make the scope of the bill broader than that of the petition on which it was based.

Point of order.

Pending the decision by the Chair of the point of order, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Fernald, postponed until to-morrow.

The Bill to provide a bounty for the destruction of noisome animals, was considered, the question being on the rejection thereof, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury. Mr. Hickox moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow, and this motion was lost. By a vote of 9 to 13, the Senate refused to reject the bill and the same was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Noisome ani-  
mals, bounty  
for destruction  
of.

The Bill concerning records of births, deaths and marriages, was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Fernald, postponed until to-morrow.

Births, deaths  
and marriages,  
records of.

The Bill for the better enforcement of the laws requiring monthly reports of births, was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Fernald, postponed until to-morrow.

Births, monthly  
reports of.

Marriages,  
record and  
return of.

The Bill relating to the record and return of marriages, was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Fernald, postponed until to-morrow.

West Tisbury,  
town of.

The Bill to incorporate the town of West Tisbury, was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Wyer, postponed until Tuesday, April 26.

Bills.

The bills

To authorize the Bridgewater Water Company to issue a new series of bonds;

Requiring certain returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners;

To protect the beaches and shores of the town of Marblehead;

To provide for recounting ballots cast in towns upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors;

To enable the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its water fund bonds;

To authorize the town of Needham to make an additional water loan; and

To permit the Foxborough Water Supply District to supply water to residents of Foxborough outside the district;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Woburn, city  
of, —superin-  
tendent of pub-  
lic buildings.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings, was read a third time. Mr. Reade of Suffolk moved that the bill be amended in section 4, by striking out, in line 2, the words "concurrent vote of the city council," and inserting in place thereof the words "a majority of the voters;" and by adding at the end of line 3, the words "voting upon the question at any city election." Pending this amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McNary, postponed until to-morrow.

Senate bills.

The Senate bills

To establish the salary of the justice of the first district court of Eastern Worcester;

To confirm the proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of North Brookfield ;

To provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane ;

To authorize the grading and classifying of prisoners in the State Prison ;

To require city and town clerks to notify the Commissioners of Prisons of the appointment of certain police officers ; and

To authorize the North Adams Fire District to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the year in which its debts are incurred ; and

The Senate Resolve in favor of George O. Bent ;

*Senate resolve.*

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk ;

*House bills.*

Relative to appointments on the staff of the Commander-in-chief (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To change the name of the South Adams Fire District in Adams, and to enable it to refund its indebtedness ; and

To provide for the preservation of the public health in the town of Nantucket ; and

The House resolves

Providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Framingham ;

*House resolves.*

In favor of James K. Barbour ; and

In favor of the town of Nantucket ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, was read a third time ; and, pending the question on passing the resolve to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was, on motion of Mr. Meade, laid on the table.

*Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.*

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to revising the laws relating to city registrars and city clerks, so as to

*Senate report.*

place the gathering of facts and statistics which relate to health in the city of Boston, with the board of health of said city, instead of with the city clerk or city registrar, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

### The House reports

#### House reports.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Isaac Rosnosky for the repeal of chapter 265 of the Acts of the year 1889, entitled: "An Act to provide for the transfer and management of Mount Hope Cemetery in the city of Boston;" and

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to compelling street railways of the Commonwealth to apply to their open cars the most approved pattern of guards for the protection of life;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

#### Cambridge, annexation of, to Boston.

The House Report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to uniting the cities of Boston and Cambridge, and the petition of John W. Coveney relating to the subject, was considered, the question being on the acceptance thereof, in concurrence. Mr. Read of Middlesex moved that the further consideration of the report be indefinitely postponed, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

#### YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Eaton, William N.  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F.—16.

#### NAYS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Coveney, John W.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
McEttrick, Michael J.

Messrs. McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)—12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Drury, John E.  
Howard, Robert  
Nichols, George K.  
Parkman, Henry

Messrs. Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 11.

So the further consideration of the report was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, at eleven minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

Judges of probate and insolvency, retirement of.

By Mr. McDonald, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the House Bill to provide for the retirement of judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties, ought to pass;

Referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Nantucket, town of, — sewer commissioners.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on Drainage, on the petition of William H. C. Lawrence and others, a Bill to authorize the town of Nantucket to elect a board of sewer commissioners; and

Newbury, town of, — public wharf.

By Mr. West, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the petition of the chairman of the selectmen of said town, a Bill to authorize the town of Newbury to construct and maintain a wharf at the public landing of said town on the River Parker;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Andrew J. Pixley.

By Mr. Read of Middlesex, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of A. R. Willard, a Resolve in favor of Andrew J. Pixley; and

Massachusetts sailors and marines.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, on the annual report of the Adjutant-General (in part), a Resolve in favor of the officers, sailors and marines who served in the United States Navy during the war of the rebellion and were residents of this Commonwealth at the time of their enlistment;

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

*Motions to Reconsider.*

Cambridge, annexation of, to Boston.

Mr. Coveney moved that the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, indefinitely postponed the further considera-

tion of the House Report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to uniting the cities of Boston and Cambridge, and the petition of John W. Coveney relating to the subject, — be reconsidered; and the consideration of this motion was, on motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, postponed until to-morrow, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

Mr. Stevens moved that the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Senate Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane, — be reconsidered; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McDonald, James W.

Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 14.

NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Meade, William E.

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 18.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. Henry A. Kimball,

NAY.

Mr. B. Frank Southwick (present). — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Ray, William F.  
Shaw, Edward P. — 5.

So the motion to reconsider was lost.

*Placed on File.*

The following remonstrances were severally presented and placed on file: —

By Mr. McDonald, a remonstrance of the Roxbury Carpet Company and others; by Mr. Drury, remonstrances

Chronic insane,  
asylum for.

Hours of labor.

of the Appleton Company and others ; A. G. Cumnock and others ; and Henry Saltonstall and others ; and by Mr. Carter, remonstrances of Samuel Barlow and others ; F. E. McDuffie and others ; Kirke W. Moses and others ; and the Washington Mills, — severally, against any reduction of the hours of labor.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. West, —  
*Ordered*, That the joint special committee on Rapid Transit be authorized to sit during the sessions of the Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —  
*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns to-day, it adjourn to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P. M.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

South Berkshire  
Mountain Club.

To incorporate the South Berkshire Mountain Club (on the petition of H. F. Keith and others) ; and

Crombie Street  
Church in  
Salem.

Relating to voting at meetings of the proprietors of the Crombie Street Church in Salem (on the petition of the same) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Reports

Lobsters.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to repealing chapter 122 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act to amend an act for the better protection of lobsters ; and

East Boston  
Company.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the House Bill to amend the charter of the East Boston Company (reported on the petition of said company) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Message from the Governor.*

State Prison, —  
repairing  
damage caused  
by fire.

A message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a communication from the Board of Commissioners of Prisons, requesting an appropriation of \$5,000 for re-



pairing the workshops at the State Prison, damaged by fire April 18, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Prisons.

The Senate order, — “That the committee on Railroads be granted further time in which to report upon matters referred to them,” came up, adopted, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out the words “further time,” and inserting in place thereof the words “until April 29;” and the Senate concurred therein.

Railroads, committee on.

### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

A petition of the mayor of the city of Pittsfield that said city may be authorized to remove from the old burial ground on Melville street in said city the remains interred therein ;

Pittsfield, city of, — burial ground.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.

A petition of the school committees of the towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee for authority to form a school superintendency district ;

Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee, towns of, — school superintendency district.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Education.

### *Placed on File.*

A petition of John W. Pierson and others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children to 56 hours a week, was placed on file.

Women and children, hours of labor of.

### *Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Relating to the income from the water supplies of the city of Boston ;

Bills enacted.

To confirm the organization and proceedings of the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company ;

To incorporate the West Lynn Trust Company ;

To increase the penalty for the unauthorized removal of gravel, sand and other material from the beaches ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the Marlborough Street Railway Company to extend its road into the towns of Hudson and Westborough, and to increase its capital stock ;

To authorize the city of Pittsfield to provide for the abolition of a grade crossing ;

To authorize the town of Chatham to refund a portion of its debt ;

To authorize the town of Hopkinton to make an additional water loan ; and

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Gardner.

Resolves passed.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House) were severally passed, to wit : —

To provide for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson ; and

In favor of the town of Manchester.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Middlesex,  
county of, —  
truant school.

The Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a truant school, was considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading. On the point of order raised by Mr. Fernald, that the pending amendments moved by Mr. McDonald, would, if adopted, make the scope of the bill broader than that of the petition upon which it was based, the President ruled as follows : —

Ruling by  
President on  
point of order.

Pending action upon the amendments moved by the Senator from Middlesex, Mr. McDonald, the Senator from Middlesex, Mr. Fernald, raises the point of order that their adoption would extend the bill beyond the scope of the petition upon which it is based. The bill is reported upon a petition asking that the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex may be authorized to borrow the sum of fifty thousand dollars, on the credit of the county, for the establishment of a truant school. It is apparent that the intent and purpose of the petitioners are to secure the establishment of a school for the proper care of truants, and the bill reported seeks to accomplish such result. The amendment moved by the Senator from Middlesex is not in conflict with the general purposes of the bill, but seeks to permit the establishment of more than one school,

should it be deemed advisable so to do. In considering the question of whether amendments offered to a bill are germane or not, care should be taken to discriminate between the form of the proposition and the substance thereof, and thus avoid such an interpretation of the rule and of parliamentary practice as would unduly hamper the exercise of legislative power while protecting the rights of those interested in pending legislation. Cushing lays down the general rule that "a committee is authorized to recommend any measure connected with and growing out of the subject so referred;" nor does this conflict with the Senate rule which provides that "no matter or proposition of a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under the color of an amendment." The latter forbids the introduction of a new subject, or a different proposition touching the same subject. It is within the power of the Legislature to modify the original proposition provided the action is confined to the original suggestion, and it is clearly within the power of the Senate to act upon an amendment dealing only with the method of administration and directly connected with the subject-matter of the legislation originally proposed.

It is contended that these amendments, if adopted, would, in effect, amend or modify certain sections of the Public Statutes relative to truant schools; but it is certainly within the power of the Legislature to change existing laws or to exempt certain towns or counties from the provisions thereof, if such change or exemption or modification is made when a proposition, upon which such legislation can be based, is before it. Should the proposed amendment be adopted it will not substantially change either the form or the substance of the bill; and the Chair therefore rules that the point of order, raised by the Senator from Middlesex, is not well taken.

The pending amendment, recommended by the committee on Expenditures, was rejected.

The pending amendments, moved by Mr. McDonald, were adopted, by a vote of 16 to 7.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

#### The bills

In relation to the issue of bonds for the furnishing of <sup>BILL</sup> the court house for the county of Suffolk, and the expenditure of the proceeds thereof;

**Bills.**

To establish the salary of the first assistant district attorney for the Suffolk District ; and

To permit the Wellesley Congregational Church to remove bodies from a portion of its old cemetery and devote the land to the use of the church ; and

The resolves

**Resolves.**

Providing for a continuation of the investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education ;

Relating to the appropriate representation of the soldiers of the Massachusetts Continental Line on the battle monument now being erected at Trenton, New Jersey ;

To provide for the purchase of books for the library at the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

In favor of Ella Raymond ;

Providing for the finishing of the exterior of the Normal Art School building ;

Providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Bridgewater and the printing of a catalogue ; and

In favor of Andrew C. Scott and David L. Adamson ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bills

**Senate bills.**

Relating to the schooling and limit of labor of children employed in manufacturing and other establishments ;

In relation to enforcing the liability of shareholders in trust companies ;

To confirm certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Newbury ; and

To authorize the managers of the Boston Seamen's Friend Society to hold additional real and personal estate (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**Westport River,  
bridge across.**

The Senate Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Bristol to construct a bridge and highway across the east branch of Westport River, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury.

**Presidential  
electors, manner  
of voting for.**

The House Bill to provide for voting for electors of President and Vice-President of the United States, was considered. The pending amendment, moved by Mr.

Thayer, was rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House bills

In relation to assistant probation officers for the municipal court of the city of Boston ; House bills.

To authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to receive and hold the property now held by the Lamson Home ;

Authorizing the reimbursement of expenses incurred by certain towns in the maintenance of the insane ;

To authorize the Bridgewater Water Company to issue a new series of bonds ;

Requiring certain returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ;

To protect the beaches and shores of the town of Marblehead ;

To provide for recounting ballots cast in towns upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

To authorize the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its water fund bonds (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To authorize the town of Needham to make an additional water loan ; and

To permit the Foxborough Water Supply District to supply water to residents of Foxborough outside the district ; and

The House Resolve providing for repairs, current expenses and the further equipment of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ; House resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the president of the common council of the city of Boston for legislation authorizing salaries to be paid to members of said common council, was accepted. Senate report.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the fifth annual report of the Controller of County Accounts ; House report.

**House reports.**

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 388 of the Acts of the year 1888, so as to create and affix a penalty for the making by brokers, or money loaners, of loans at a greater rate of interest than eighteen per cent. per annum; and also to change the period of time for which said rates may be collected when the debt is paid before the expiration of that period; also to reduce or eliminate entirely the provision making an allowance for the expenses incurred in making loans;

Of the joint committee on Rules, no legislation necessary, on the order relative to providing that all legislative agents or lobbyists shall be excluded from the reading and cloak rooms of the State House;

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending the laws on banks and banking so that when a deposit is made in a savings bank or institution for savings, with conditions thereto attached, the corporation shall be bound to pay, and shall pay, when called upon, the party or parties entitled thereto, strictly according to said conditions, and a payment so made shall discharge the corporation from liability to any other party making claim thereto; and providing that the executor of any will or the administrator upon any estate, into whose possession a book or books of deposit in a savings bank or institution for savings shall be, or come, by reason of acting in said capacities, having conditions attached thereto, shall deliver to the party or parties entitled by said conditions to receive the same said books of deposit without including the amounts due in such books in their accounts as executor or administrator;

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to printing immediately 3,000 copies of the report of the Rapid Transit Commission;

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that one copy of Kellen's Index Digest shall be furnished to every city and town in the Commonwealth at the expense of the Commonwealth;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the 13th annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity;

Of the joint special committee on Public Reservations, no legislation necessary, on the order relative to the col-

lection of statistics and information concerning forests, woodlands and public parks ;

Of the joint special committee on Public Reservations, no legislation necessary, on the first report of the Charles River Improvement Commission ;

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to securing quicker railroad transportation and better service between the cities of Boston and New York ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to compelling street railways of the Commonwealth to apply to their cars the most approved pattern of fenders for the protection of limb and life ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at twenty-eight minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at one o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, April 21, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Thomas E. St. John of Haverhill, a member of the House of Representatives.

*Reports of Committees.*

Second clerk of chief of district police, salary of.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill to establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the chief of the district police; and

Lawrence, city of, — armory.

The House Resolve relative to furnishing the new armory at Lawrence, — severally, ought to pass;

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the House bills

Commissioner of State Aid, salary of.

To establish the salary of the Commissioner of State Aid;

Certain records, re-recording of.

To provide for the re-recording of certain records; and

Clerk of Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks, salary of.

To establish the salary of the first clerk in the office of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks, — severally, ought to pass; and

State Industrial School for Girls.

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the House Resolve providing for repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Worcester, county of, — county tax.

By Mr. Stevens, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Resolve relative to the amount of the county tax for the county of Worcester, ought to pass;

Read a second and a third time, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Smith, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Naukeag Water Company.

By Mr. Nichols, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of Ivers W. Adams, a Bill to amend an act to incorporate the Naukeag Water Company;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.



By Mr. Baker, from the committee on Manufactures, Gas, manufacture and sale of, by cities.  
 inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering cities and towns to manufacture, distribute and sell gas, so as to provide that the cities may manufacture, distribute and sell gas, under the authority of said act, and may be empowered to engage in said business without being required to purchase existing plants ;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for tomorrow.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. Ray, the House Bill to incorporate the Millis Water Company, Millis Water Company. was taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

*Petition.*

Mr. Read of Middlesex presented a petition of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for the passage of an act to authorize said city to purchase or take land in Watertown, Belmont or Waltham for the purpose of increasing its water supply, and moved a suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon. The rule was suspended and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct. Cambridge, city of, — water supply.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Placed on File.*

The following petition and remonstrance were severally presented and placed on file : —

By Mr. Howard, a petition of Mary Leigh and others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children ; and Women and children, hours of labor of.

By Mr. Fernald, a remonstrance of the Cochrane Carpet Company against any reduction of the hours of labor. Labor, hours of.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Gilman, —

*Ordered,* That the committee on Mercantile Affairs be granted until Friday, April 29, in which to report upon matters referred to them. Mercantile Affairs, committee on.

Sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Justices of  
Superior Court,  
salaries of.

A Bill to establish the salaries of the justices of the Superior Court (on an order), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

## Bills

Essex Electric  
Street Railway  
Company, —  
Naumkeag  
Street Railway  
Company.

To authorize the Essex Electric Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Naumkeag Street Railway Company (on the petition of the same) ;

Plymouth, town  
of, — Oak  
Grove Cemetery  
Association.

To authorize the proprietors of Oak Grove Cemetery Association to convey its property to the town of Plymouth (on the petition of the trustees of said association) ;

Inferior courts,  
special justices  
of.

Relating to special justices of inferior courts (on the report of the Controller of County Accounts, in part) ;

Criminal cases,  
procedure in.

In relation to procedure upon writ of error or similar proceedings in certain criminal cases (on the report of the Attorney-General, in part) ; and

Infants,  
boarding-  
houses for.

To provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding-houses for infants (on the annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, in part) ; and

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
property quali-  
fication for  
Governor.

A Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor (on the Resolve taken from the files of last year) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

## Reports

Abandoned  
farms.

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing for a full investigation of the causes leading to abandoned farms and the general decline of agriculture in Massachusetts ;

New Bedford  
Real Estate  
Association.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the New Bedford Real Estate Association for power to buy and sell mortgages and make loans on mortgages upon real estate in and out of the county of Bristol ; and

Superintendent  
of printing.

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to establishing the office of a superintendent or supervisor of printing for the Commonwealth ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

A House Bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors by grocers (on the petition of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of the diocese of Springfield), came up, re-committed to the committee on the Liquor Law, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule. The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the rule and the bill was returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

Intoxicating  
liquors, sale of,  
by grocers.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill concerning the settlement of illegitimate children, had been referred, by that branch, to the next General Court; and that

Illegitimate  
children, settle-  
ment of.

The Bill to provide for pensioning officers of the State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory (introduced on leave in the House), had been rejected by that branch.

State Prison  
and Massachu-  
setts Reforma-  
tory, — pension  
for officers.

The Senate Bill providing for the appointment of an inspector of provisions, milk, butter, cheese and vinegar for the city of Lynn, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, amended as follows: In section 1, line 6, by striking out the word "February," and inserting in place thereof the word "May;" in line 7, by striking out the word "March," and inserting in place thereof the word "May;" also, in line 8, by inserting after the word "appointed," the words "and may be removed by said board for cause." Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendments, they were, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Lynn, city of, —  
inspector of  
provisions.

### *House Order.*

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence: —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs be allowed to visit New York for the purpose of inspecting the subway systems in the discharge of their duty.

Mercantile  
Affairs, com-  
mittee on.

### *Bills and Resolves laid before the Governor.*

The following engrossed bills which were, yesterday, passed to be enacted, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Relating to the income from the water supplies of the city of Boston;

Enacted bill  
laid before the  
Governor.

Enacted bills  
laid before the  
Governor.

To confirm the organization and proceedings of the Hoosac Tunnel and Wilmington Railroad Company ;

To incorporate the West Lynn Trust Company ;

To increase the penalty for the unauthorized removal of gravel, sand and other material from the beaches ;

To authorize the Marlborough Street Railway Company to extend its road into the towns of Hudson and Westborough, and to increase its capital stock ;

To authorize the city of Pittsfield to provide for the abolition of a grade crossing ;

To authorize the town of Chatham to refund a portion of its debt ;

To authorize the town of Hopkinton to make an additional water loan ; and

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Gardner.

The following engrossed resolves which were, yesterday, passed, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Resolves laid  
before the  
Governor.

To provide for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson ; and

In favor of the town of Manchester.

### *Bills Enacted.*

The following engrossed bills (the first six of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, and were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

Providing for the examination and correction of returns of election officers in towns divided into voting precincts ;

To authorize the town of Everett to issue scrip or bonds for the purpose of extending and improving its system of water supply ;

Relating to the taking of scallops in the waters of the town of Marion ;

Relating to changes in the name of certain corporations ;

To exempt from taxation certain real and personal property belonging to the Odd Fellows' Home of Massachusetts ;

Relative to liens on buildings and land ;

Relative to the fisheries of the town of Mashpee ;

To exempt the town of Groveland from part of the expense of maintaining Groveland bridge ;

In relation to fees for arrests for drunkenness by officers deriving their sole compensation from taxable fees ;

To authorize the Beverly Marine Railway in Beverly to confirm its proceedings and convey its real estate ;

Fixing the time and place of holding probate courts in the county of Suffolk ;

Relative to the change of names of corporations ;

To authorize street railway companies to refund their funded debt in certain cases ; and

To prevent the spread of tuberculosis.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate indefinitely postponed the further consideration of the House Report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to uniting the cities of Boston and Cambridge, and the petition of John W. Coveney relating to the subject, — was considered. There being no objection, the motion to reconsider was withdrawn by Mr. Coveney.

Cambridge, annexation of, to Boston.

The Senate Bill for the better enforcement of the laws requiring monthly reports of births, was considered and refused a third reading.

Births, monthly reports of.

The Senate Bill relating to the record and return of marriages, was considered, and, by a vote of 8 to 11 (a quorum being present), was refused a third reading. Mr. Parkman moved that the vote by which the bill was refused a third reading be reconsidered, and this motion was, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Marriages, record and return of.

The Bill concerning records of births, deaths and marriages, was considered and ordered to a third reading.

Bill.

### *The bills*

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Essex ;

Bills.

To authorize the town of Newbury to construct and maintain a wharf at the public landing of said town on the River Parker ;

Relating to the returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ; and

Bill.

Relating to voting at meetings of the proprietors of the Crombie Street Church in Salem ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

World's  
Columbian  
Exposition.

The Senate receded from its amendment to the Senate Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition, adding at the end of the House amendment the words "if such action is deemed best by said managers."

Woburn, city  
of, — superin-  
tendent of  
public build-  
ings.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings, was considered ; and, pending the amendment moved by Mr. Reade of Suffolk, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, postponed until to-morrow, to be placed second in the Orders of the Day.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a truant school (as previously amended) ; and

Senate resolves.

The Senate resolves

Providing for a continuation of the investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education ;

Relating to the appropriate representation of the soldiers of the Massachusetts Continental Line on the battle monument now being erected at Trenton, New Jersey ; and

To provide for the purchase of books for the library at the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

House bills.

The House bills

Relating to the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To establish the salary of the first assistant district attorney for the Suffolk District ; and

To authorize the Wellesley Congregational Church to remove bodies from a portion of its old cemetery and devote the land to the use of the church (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

The House resolves

In favor of Ella Raymond ;

House resolves.

Providing for finishing the exterior of the Normal Art School building ;

Providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Bridgewater and for preparing and printing a general catalogue of the school (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

In favor of Andrew C. Scott and David L. Adamson ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry Curtis Spalding for the incorporation of the Subway Company, with authority to build underground railways in Boston, was accepted.

Senate report.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to repealing chapter 122 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act to amend an act for the better protection of lobsters ; and

House reports.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the House Bill to amend the charter of the East Boston Company ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at sixteen minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet tomorrow at one o'clock P.M.

FRIDAY, April 22, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

Judges of  
probate and  
insolvency,  
duties of.

By Mr. McDonald, from the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill relating to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency (introduced on leave), ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Andrew J.  
Pixley.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Andrew J. Pixley, ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

State Prison,  
— repairing  
damage caused  
by fire.

By Mr. Eaton, from the committee on Prisons, on the message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting a communication from the Commissioners of Prisons relating to the subject, a Resolve to provide for repairing workshops damaged by fire at the State Prison;

Read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Eaton, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence, Senate Rule No. 8 being also suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Taxes, refund-  
ing of, in certain  
cases.

By Mr. McDonald, from the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 12 of chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, by transposing the words "by," and "to," in the last line but one of said section, so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows: "*Sect. 12.* Whenever for any reason the devisee, legatee or heir who has paid any such tax, afterwards refunds any portion of the property on which it was paid, or it is judicially determined that the whole or any part of such tax ought not to have been paid, said tax or the due proportional part of



said tax shall be paid back to him by the executor, administrator or trustee ;”

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

*Petition.*

Mr. Clark presented a petition of F. L. Waters and another of the town of Orange for the passage of a bill authorizing said town to provide for the payment of its water loan in annual payments which shall, in the aggregate, extinguish the debt at maturity ; and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Water Supply.

Orange, town of, — water loan.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

The Senate order, “ That the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them,” which was adopted, in concurrence, by the House, with an amendment, striking out the words “ further time,” and inserting in place thereof the words “ until April 29,” and in which amendment the Senate non-concurred, — came up, with the endorsement that the House insisted. The Senate receded from its non-concurrence and concurred in the amendment.

Administrative Boards and Commissions, joint special committee on.

The Senate order, “ That the committee on Roads and Bridges be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them,” which was adopted, in concurrence, by the House, with an amendment, striking out the words “ further time,” and inserting in place thereof the words “ until April 29,” and in which amendment the Senate non-concurred, — came up, with the endorsement that the House insisted. The Senate receded from its non-concurrence and concurred in the amendment.

Roads and Bridges, committee on.

*Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Providing for a form of complaint for violation of the laws regulating the employment of women and minors in manufacturing establishments ;

Bill enacted and laid before the Governor.

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

Relating to special judgments against bankrupt and insolvent debtors ;

To legalize a vote of the town of Peabody providing for refunding a portion of the amount paid for a liquor license ; and

Relating to the disposal of sewage from the Reformatory Prison for Women.

Resolve passed,  
etc.

An engrossed Resolve providing for the enlargement and repair of the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton (which originated in the House), was passed, and with the above-named bills, was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Marriages,  
record and  
return of.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill relating to the record and return of marriages, prevailed, and, on the recurring question, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Woburn, city  
of, — superin-  
tendent of  
public build-  
ings.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings, was considered ; and, pending the amendment moved by Mr. Reade of Suffolk, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Clark, postponed until Monday next.

Criminals,  
identification  
of.

The Bill relating to the identification of criminals, was read a second time. Mr. Thayer moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in lines 4 and 5, the words "and descriptions ;" by striking out, in line 5, the word "professional ;" and by inserting, in line 6, after the word "criminals," the words "who have served two sentences in prison and," — and these amendments were severally rejected. The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Noisome ani-  
mals, bounty for  
destruction of.

The Senate Bill to provide a bounty for the destruction of noisome animals, was read a second time and amended in section 1, on motion of Mr. Thayer, by striking out, in lines 2 and 5, the words "fox," and "raccoon or ;" by

striking out, in lines 13 and 14, the words "three dollars for each and every fox;" and by striking out, in line 15, the words "two dollars for each and every raccoon." By a vote of 4 to 8 (a quorum being present) the bill, as amended, was then refused a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the town of Nantucket to elect a board of sewer commissioners, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Clark, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Nantucket, town of,—sewer commissioners.

Sent down for concurrence, Senate Rule No. 8 being also suspended on further motion of the same Senator.

The Bill to incorporate the South Berkshire Mountain Club, was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Butler, postponed until Monday next. South Berkshire Mountain Club.

The bills

To amend an act to incorporate the Naukeag Water Company; Bills.

To establish the salary of the Commissioner of State Aid;

To establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the chief of the district police;

To establish the salary of the first clerk in the office of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks;

To authorize the Essex Electric Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Naumkeag Street Railway Company;

To authorize the proprietors of Oak Grove Cemetery Association to convey its property to the town of Plymouth; and

In relation to procedure upon writ of error or similar proceedings in certain criminal cases; and

The resolves

Providing for repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls; and Resolves.

Relative to furnishing the new armory at Lawrence;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill in relation to the issue of bonds for furnishing the court house for the county of Suffolk (its title Suffolk, county of,—court house.

having been changed by the committee on Bills (in the Third Reading), was read a third time, amended, on motion of Mr. Parkman, by striking out section 2, and, as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### The Senate bills

##### Senate bills.

To authorize the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to locate its tracks in the towns of Weymouth, Braintree and Milton and in a certain portion of the city of Boston ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Essex ; and

To authorize the town of Newbury to construct and maintain a wharf at the public landing of said town on the River Parker ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

##### Pharmacy, regulation of practice of.

The Senate Resolve providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy, was considered ; and, pending the question on the rejection of the resolve, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Nichols, postponed until Wednesday, April 27.

#### The House bills

##### House bills.

Relating to the returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ;

To incorporate the Millis Water Company ; and

Relating to voting at meetings of the proprietors of the Crombie Street Church in Salem ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

##### Senate report.

The Senate Report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering cities and towns to manufacture, distribute and sell gas, so as to provide that the cities may manufacture, distribute and sell gas, under the authority of said act, and may be empowered to engage in said business without being required to purchase existing plants, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

**The House reports**

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legis- House reports.  
late, on the order relative to providing for a full investigation of the causes leading to abandoned farms and the general decline of agriculture in Massachusetts ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the New Bedford Real Estate Association for power to buy and sell mortgages and make loans on mortgages upon real estate in and out of the county of Bristol ; and

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to establishing the office of a superintendent or supervisor of printing for the Commonwealth ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, by a vote of 11 to 5, at twenty-four minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, April 25, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Report of a Committee.*

Seamen, protection of.

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill for the better protection of seamen, ought to pass, amended as follows: Strike out, in section 1, line 8, the words "five hundred," and insert in place thereof the word "fifty;" strike out, in section 2, line 8, the word "five," and insert in place thereof the word "one;" and insert, in section 4, line 2, after the word "masters," the words "owners and agents;"

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

*Taken from the Table.*

Trout less than six inches in length.

On motion of Mr. Raymond, the House Bill to prohibit the sale of trout less than six inches long, was taken from the table; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until to-morrow.

*Petition.*

Wenham, town of. — refunding of debt.

Mr. Southwick presented a petition of the selectmen of the town of Wenham for legislation authorizing said town to issue bonds or notes to an amount not exceeding \$3,000 for the purpose of refunding its existing indebtedness; and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Towns.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Stoughton, town of. — town meeting.

A Bill to confirm the proceedings of a town meeting of the town of Stoughton (on the petition of W. O. Faxon and others), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

**Bills**

Providing for the pensioning of officers of the State Prison injured in the discharge of their duty (on an order) ; and To provide for the appointment of a woman as assistant probation officer in the municipal court of the city of Boston (on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part) ;

State Prison, officers of, — pensions.  
Boston, city of, — women probation officers.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

**Bills**

To authorize the city of Quincy and the towns of Weymouth and Hingham to grant locations to street railway corporations over Weymouth Fore River and Weymouth Back River (on the petition of the Weymouth and Hingham Street Railway Company) ; and

Quincy, Weymouth and Hingham, — street railway locations.

To authorize Horace S. Crowell to build causeways or bridges in the town of Falmouth (on the petition of the same, recommitted) ;

Falmouth, town of, — bridges.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

**Reports**

Of the committee on Woman Suffrage, reference to the next General Court :

On the petitions of Lucy Stone and others that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections ;

Woman suffrage.

On the petitions of the East Boston Woman Suffrage League and others that women may be enabled to vote for presidential electors and other officers ;

On the petitions of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union and others for legislation giving all citizens, irrespective of sex, equal facilities in the registration of names for voting and the right to vote in relation to licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors, and in the election of municipal officers ; and

On the petition of Alice Stone Blackwell and others for an amendment to the Constitution to establish equal political rights for all American citizens, irrespective of sex, and for a law permitting women to vote on all county, town and municipal affairs ;

Were severally recommitted to the committee on Woman Suffrage, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, in each case, with instructions to report in the Senate.

Fall River, city  
of, — water  
supply.

A Report of the committee on Water Supply, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the mayor of the city of Fall River for an amendment of chapter 114 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the protection of the water supply of said city, so as to permit the assessment of betterments upon lands benefited, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Cities, — was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule.

Life saving  
station at City  
Point.

Resolutions relative to the establishment of a life saving station at City Point (being a new draft of resolutions with the same title introduced on leave in the House), were read and adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. McNary. Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended on further motion of the same Senator.

The resolutions were as follows : —

*Whereas*, A serious accident has recently occurred off City Point in the city of Boston, whereby eight persons lost their lives by drowning; and

*Whereas*, Many accidents of a similar nature have heretofore occurred near the same point, and are likely to occur in the future, resulting in great loss of life, unless some provision is made for the rescue of persons in peril of drowning;

*Resolved*, That our senators and representatives in Congress, are requested to lay before Congress, or before the proper officials of the national government, the importance of establishing and maintaining another life saving station on the coast of Massachusetts, to be located at City Point;

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to each Senator and Representative from this Commonwealth in the Congress of the United States.

Boston, city of,  
— widening of  
Walter Street.

The Senate Bill to authorize the widening of Walter Street in the city of Boston and the taking of a part of a private burial-ground therefor, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out, in section 2, lines 1 and 2, the words "sustaining damages in his property," and inserting in place thereof the words "or corporation sustaining damages as aforesaid." On motion of Mr. Parkman, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended and the amendment was forthwith considered and was adopted, in concurrence.



The Senate Bill relative to the blasting of rocks in the city of Boston, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out section 2. On motion of Mr. Parkman, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended and the amendment was forthwith considered and was adopted, in concurrence.

Boston, city of,  
— blasting of  
rocks.

### *House Order.*

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence :—

*Ordered*, That the committee on Education be granted until April 29 to report upon matters referred to them.

Education, com-  
mittee on.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments, was considered ; and the question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit :—

Minors and  
women, hours  
of labor of.

#### YEAS.

Messrs Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Howard, Robert  
McDonald, James W.

Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R.  
West, William H. — 19.

#### NAYS.

Messrs. Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Meade, William E.  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 10.

#### PAIRED.

##### YEAS.

##### NAYS.

Mr. Patrick J. Kennedy (present), Mr. Edward P. Shaw.  
Mr. Francis P. Arnold (present), Mr. Stephen A. Hickox.  
Mr. Arthur B. Champlin (present), Mr. B. Frank Southwick.  
Mr. William H. Carberry (present), Mr. John Read (Middlesex). — 8.

#### ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Henry A. Kimball, Mr. John Simpkins. — 2.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Woburn, city  
of,—superin-  
tendent of  
public build-  
ings.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings, was considered; and, pending the amendment moved by Mr. Reade of Suffolk, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion on Mr. Wyer, postponed until Wednesday next.

**Bill.** The Bill relating to special justices of inferior courts; and  
The resolves

**Resolves.** In favor of Andrew J. Pixley; and  
Providing for an amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor;  
Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Senate bills.** The Senate bills  
Relating to the identification of criminals; and  
To authorize the Naukeag Water Company to increase its water supply (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);  
Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**House bills.** The House bills  
To establish the salary of the Commissioner of State Aid appointed by the Governor and Council (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

To establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the chief of the district police;

To establish the salary of the first clerk in the office of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks;

To authorize the Essex Electric Street Railway Company to lease its railway, franchises and other property to the Naumkeag Street Railway Company; and

In relation to procedure upon writ of error or similar proceedings in criminal cases (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

**House resolves.** The House resolves  
Providing for repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls; and

Relative to furnishing the new armory at Lawrence;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 12 of chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, by transposing the words "by," and "to," in the last line but one of said section, so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows: "*Sect. 12.* Whenever for any reason the devisee, legatee or heir who has paid any such tax, afterwards refunds any portion of the property on which it was paid, or it is judicially determined that the whole or any part of such tax ought not to have been paid, said tax or the due proportional part of said tax shall be paid back to him by the executor, administrator or trustee," — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, by a vote of 17 to 4, at ten minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, April 26, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Smith in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House bills

Stoughton,  
town of, —  
town meeting.

To confirm the proceedings of a meeting of the town of Stoughton; and

Labor per-  
formed on pub-  
lic works, pay-  
ment for.

Concerning the payment for labor performed on buildings or public works owned by cities or towns, — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Minors, licenses  
to, for sale of  
goods, wares  
and merchan-  
dise.

By Mr. Fernald, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, under the provisions of joint rule No. 10, on the order relative to amending the laws relating to the granting of licenses to minors to sell goods, wares, or merchandise, as provided in section 2 of chapter 68 of the Public Statutes, so that boards of aldermen and selectmen shall have power to make regulations relating thereto without any authorization of the city council or town being required;

Boston, city of,  
— special police  
officer.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the passage of an act to authorize the city of Boston to indemnify citizens for any loss or damage they may sustain while assisting a police officer in the performance of police duty;

Elections, —  
counting of  
ballots.

By Mr. Smith, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so as to provide that the provisions thereof relating to the opening of ballot-boxes and the taking of ballots therefrom to be counted may also apply to all voting precincts in the Commonwealth;

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so that the provisions thereof, permitting towns not divided into voting precincts, and having more than six hundred voters, to open the ballot-boxes during the progress of the vote, and take therefrom ballots to be counted, may also apply to all precincts in towns divided into voting precincts ;

Elections,—  
opening of  
ballot-boxes  
during progress  
of vote.

By Mr. McEttrick, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Hanover for legislation to enable said town to abolish the use of the Australian ballot system in voting for town officers ; and

Hanover, town  
of,—abolition  
of use of Aus-  
tralian ballot  
system.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Republican Editorial Association for such amendment of the laws relating to elections as shall facilitate the speedy announcement of the results thereof ;

Elections, an-  
nouncing results  
of.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Resolutions on the death of Stillman W. Edgell.*

Mr. Howard presented Resolutions on the death of Stillman W. Edgell, which were read, forthwith considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and unanimously adopted, by a rising vote.

Stillman W.  
Edgell, resolu-  
tions on death  
of.

The resolutions were as follows : —

“ *Resolved*, That the Senate hereby records its appreciation of the character and services of the late Stillman W. Edgell, for many years doorkeeper of the Senate.

*Resolved*, That by his decease the Senate loses a valuable officer and the Commonwealth a faithful public servant and a good citizen.

*Resolved*, That he deserved high praise for his patriotic devotion and unselfish sacrifice while serving his country during the War of the Rebellion.

*Resolved*, That, as a mark of respect to his memory, the Senate be represented at his funeral by a committee of four.

*Resolved*, That the profound sympathy of the Senate be extended to the family of the deceased, and that a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to them by the clerk of the Senate.”

The Chair appointed, as the committee to represent the Senate, Messrs. Howard, Gilman, Reade of Suffolk and Ray. Mr. Howard stated that, much to his regret, it would be impossible for him to be present to perform the duty assigned him. He was excused from serving and Mr. Provin was appointed a member of the committee.

*Taken from the Table.*

**Fish and game  
wardens,  
powers of.**

On motion of Mr. Raymond, the House Report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring the appointment in all cities and towns of fish and game wardens, of authorizing said wardens to serve criminal process, to make complaints and to make arrests without warrant, and of otherwise specifying the duties and qualifications of said wardens,—was taken from the table and accepted, in concurrence.

**Boston, city of,  
—registrar.**

On motion of Mr. Parkman, the Senate Bill concerning the registrar of the city of Boston, was taken from the table and amended, on further motion of the same Senator, by adding at the end of section 1 the following words: "The registrar may appoint two assistant registrars who may, in the absence of the registrar, perform his duties, and the certificate or attestation of either shall have the same force and effect as that of the registrar." The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Motion to Reconsider.*

**West Lynn  
Trust Com-  
pany.**

Mr. Nutter moved that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill to incorporate the West Lynn Trust Company, which was, on Wednesday last, passed to be enacted by the Senate. This motion prevailed and Mr. Nutter was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill having been returned by His Excellency the Governor, Mr. Nutter moved that the vote by which the bill was passed to be enacted be reconsidered, and, there being no objection, this motion was entertained. On further motion of the same Senator, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

*Petition.*

Mr. Ray presented a petition of Allen F. Smith and others for legislation so that the rate of taxation for school purposes and the burden of the support of schools shall be more evenly distributed; and the same was referred to the committee on Taxation.

Schools, support of.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Placed on File.*

Mr. Clark presented a remonstrance of the Massachusetts Cotton Mills and others against any reduction of the hours of labor; and the same was placed on file.

Hours of labor.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Bills

To confirm certain proceedings of the town of Goshen (on the petition of Alvan Barrus and others); and

Goshen, town of, — town meeting.

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Williamsburg (on the petition of the selectmen of said town);

Williamsburg, town of, — town meeting.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

A Resolve to provide for repairs at the State Prison (on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

State Prison, repairs at.

## Bills

Placing restrictions upon the erection of electric light wires (on the annual report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, in part); and

Electric light wires, restrictions upon erection of.

To provide for the extermination of caterpillars within the limits of highways (on an order and the petition of Franklyn Howland);

Caterpillars, extermination of, in certain places.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

A Bill to amend an act to supply the town of Orange with water (on the petition of F. L. Waters and another), was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Clark, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Orange, town of, — water supply.

Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended on further motion of the same Senator.

Hours of labor,  
number of, to  
constitute a  
day's work.

A Report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to limiting the number of hours which shall constitute a day's work in all cases of employment; also relative to making eight hours a day's work (Mr. Howard, of the Senate, dissenting), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Connecticut  
River Railroad  
Company.

The House Bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock, was considered; and, pending the amendment moved by Mr. Merritt, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Raymond, postponed until to-morrow, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

West Tisbury,  
town of.

The Bill to incorporate the town of West Tisbury, was considered, the question being on ordering the same to a third reading. Mr. Simpkins moved that the bill be amended by striking out section 13 and inserting in place thereof the following new section, to wit: — "*Sect. 13.* This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority vote of the voters of said town, present and voting thereon at any legal town meeting called for the purpose, but the number of such meetings shall not exceed two. The first of such meetings shall be called in the month of June, in the year 1892, and, if a subsequent meeting is necessary, it shall be called in September, in the year 1892, and the meeting called in September shall be held in that part of the town of Tisbury known as Middletown Village," — and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 3 to 18. The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Trout less than  
six inches in  
length, sale of.

The Bill to prohibit the sale of trout less than six inches long, was considered, the question being on ordering the same to a third reading. Mr. Raymond moved that the bill be amended, in section 1, line 3, by striking out the word "six," and inserting in place thereof the word "five," and this amendment was rejected. The bill was then ordered to a third reading.



The Bill to incorporate the South Berkshire Mountain Club, was considered and ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 9 to 7 (a quorum being present). South Berkshire Mountain Club.

The question on concurring in the adoption of the House amendments to the Senate Bill providing for the appointment of an inspector of provisions, milk, butter, cheese and vinegar for the city of Lynn, striking out, in section 1, line 6, the word "February," and inserting in place thereof the word "May;" striking out, in line 7, the word "March," and inserting in place thereof the word "May;" also inserting in line 8, after the word "appointed," the words "and may be removed by said board for cause,"— was, on motion of Mr. Gilman, postponed until to-morrow. Lynn, city of,— appointment of inspector of provisions, etc.

The Bill to provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding-houses for infants, was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Coveney, postponed until Thursday next. Infants, boarding-houses for.

The Bill for the better protection of seamen, was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, by striking out, in section 1, line 8, the words "five hundred," and inserting in place thereof the word "fifty;" by striking out, in section 2, line 8, the word "five," and inserting in place thereof the word "one;" and by inserting, in section 4, line 2, after the word "masters," the words "owners and agents,"— and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading. Seamen, protection of.

#### The bills

To provide for the re-recording of certain records; Bills.

To authorize the city of Quincy and the towns of Weymouth and Hingham to grant locations to street railway corporations over Weymouth Fore River and Weymouth Back River; and

To authorize Horace S. Crowell to build causeways or bridges in the town of Falmouth;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill concerning records of births, deaths and marriages, was read a third time. Mr. Parkman moved that the bill be amended by the substitution of a new draft with the same title. Births, deaths and marriages, records of.

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof, was, on further motion of the same Senator, postponed until to-morrow.

Minors and  
women, hours  
of labor of.

The Senate Bill relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments, was read a third time. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by the substitution of a new draft with the same title. Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Ray, postponed until Thursday next.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill relating to the record and return of marriages; and

Senate resolve.

The Senate Resolve in favor of Andrew J. Pixley;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

House bill.

The House Bill relating to special justices of inferior courts, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, at twenty-seven minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, April 27, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Bill to establish a Naval Brigade to be attached to the Volunteer Militia; Naval Brigade.

The House Bill to provide for the appointment of a woman as assistant probation officer in the municipal court of the city of Boston; and Boston, city of, — women probation officers.

The House Resolve relative to indexing the names of soldiers of the War of the Rebellion in the office of the Adjutant-General, — severally, ought to pass; and Soldiers, indexing names of.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the House Bill to establish the salaries of the justices of the Superior Court; and Justices of Superior Court, salaries of.

The House Resolve to provide for repairs at the State Prison, — severally, ought to pass; State Prison, repairs at.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of greater uniformity and system in the provisions of law relative to the several cities of the Commonwealth and the framing of a general form of municipal charter, a Bill to provide for the establishment of city governments; and City governments, establishment of.

By the same Senator, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill relating to cards of instructions and specimen ballots for State and city elections; Specimen ballots and cards of instructions.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Belchertown (on the petition of the selectmen of said town), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary. Belchertown, town of, — town meeting.

## Résolves

John A. Floyd.

In favor of John A. Floyd (on the petition of the same) ; and

Christie A. Fisk.

In favor of Christie A. Fisk (on the petition of the same) ;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company.

The Senate Bill to incorporate the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, in section 2, inserting, in line 5, after the word "otherwise," the words "and over and upon any streets or highways ;" also inserting in line 28, after the word "land," the words "in said Lowell." On motion of Mr. Shaw, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended and the amendments were forthwith considered and were adopted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

*Bill Enacted.*

Bill enacted and laid before the Governor.

An engrossed Bill to protect the beaches and shores of the town of Marblehead (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted, signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

*Discharged from the Orders.*

South Berkshire Mountain Club.

On motion of Mr. Coveney, the House Bill to incorporate the South Berkshire Mountain Club, was discharged from the Orders of the Day, under a suspension of Senate Rule No. 36, and read a third time ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the bill was, on further motion of the same Senator, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, recommitted to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Connecticut River Railroad Company.

The House Bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock, was considered, the main question being on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Merritt, was rejected, by a vote of 7 to 15.

Mr. Butler moved that the bill be amended by adding at the end of section 1 the words "*provided*, that no increase of stock hereby authorized shall be issued, except after the examination of the assets and liabilities of said company and a hearing in accordance with the provisions of section 15 of chapter 113 of the Public Statutes; and, *provided, further*, that only such amounts of issue shall be made as are authorized by said board," — and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Drury, John E.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Parkman, Henry  
Stevens, Eben S. — 13.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Eaton, William N.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Meade, William E.

Messrs. Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 15.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Champlin, Arthur B.  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Provin, William  
Ray, William F.

Messrs. Read, John (Middlesex)  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Thayer, John R.  
West, William H. — 11.

So the amendment was rejected.

The question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, was then determined as follows, to wit: —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 22.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Howard, Robert

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Parkman, Henry — 6.

## PAIRED.

## YEA.

## NAY.

Mr. John Reade (Suffolk), Mr. Christopher C. Merritt (present). — 2.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Champlin, Arthur B.  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Provin, William

Messrs. Ray, William F.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Thayer, John R.  
West, William H. — 9.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Mr. Butler moved that the vote by which the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, be reconsidered; and this motion was, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Pharmacy,  
practice of.

The Senate Resolve providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy, was considered; and, pending the question on the rejection of the resolve, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Nichols, postponed until to-morrow.

Woburn, city  
of, — superin-  
tendent of pub-  
lic buildings.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings, was considered; and, pending the amendment moved by Mr. Reade of Suffolk, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Smith, postponed until to-morrow.

Lynn, city of, —  
appointment of  
inspector of  
provisions, etc.

The question on concurring in the adoption of the House amendments to the Senate Bill providing for the appointment of an inspector of provisions, milk, butter, cheese and vinegar for the city of Lynn, — striking out, in section 1, line 6, the word "February," and inserting in place thereof the word "May;" striking out, in line 7, the word "March," and inserting in place thereof the word "May;" also inserting, in line 8, after the word "appointed," the words "and may be removed by said board for cause," — was considered, and, on motion of Mr. Baker, was laid on the table.

The Senate Bill concerning records of births, deaths and marriages, was considered; and, pending the amendment moved by Mr. Parkman, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Parkman, postponed until to-morrow.

Births, deaths  
and marriages,  
records of.

### The bills

Concerning the payment for labor performed on buildings or public works owned by cities or towns; Bills.

Placing restrictions upon the erection of electric light wires;

To provide for the extermination of caterpillars within the limits of highways; and

To confirm the proceedings of a meeting of the town of Stoughton;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill to prohibit the sale of trout less than six inches long, was read a third time. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended, in section 1, as follows: By inserting, in line 1, after the word "sells," the word "or;" by inserting, in line 3, after the word "year," the word "any;" by striking out, in line 4, the word "such;" and by inserting, in the same line, after the word "trout," the words "so sold, or offered or exposed for sale." The amendments were adopted, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments.

Trout less than  
six inches long,  
sale of.

The same Senator, from the same committee, also reported, recommending that the title be amended by striking out the word "long," and inserting in place thereof the words "in length." This amendment was also adopted.

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments.

The House Bill to provide for re-recording certain records (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 5, the word "re-records," and inserting in place thereof the words "duplicate records;" and by striking out, in line 20, the word

Certain records,  
re-recording of.

“re-record,” and inserting in place thereof the words “duplicate records.” These amendments were adopted, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

**West Tisbury,  
town of.**

The House Bill to incorporate the town of West Tisbury, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Butler.

**Seamen, protec-  
tion of.**

The House Bill for the better protection of seamen, was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

**House bills.**

The House bills  
To authorize the city of Quincy and the towns of Weymouth and Hingham to grant locations to street railway corporations over Weymouth Fore River and Weymouth Back River; and

To authorize Horace S. Crowell to build causeways or bridges in the town of Falmouth;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**Constitutional  
amendment, —  
property qual-  
ification for office  
of Governor.**

The House Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed; and the vote on agreeing to the Article of Amendment, in concurrence, was taken by a call of the yeas and nays, as provided by the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

#### YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 26.



## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Champlin, Arthur B.  
 Gilman, Gorham D.  
 Hickox, Stephen A.  
 McDonald, James W.  
 McEttrick, Michael J.  
 McNary, William S.  
 Meade, William E.

Messrs. Mott, Edward  
 Provin, William  
 Ray, William F.  
 Read, John (Middlesex)  
 Reade, John (Suffolk)  
 Thayer, John R. — 13.

So the Article of Amendment was agreed to, in concurrence, a majority of the Senators, present and voting thereon, having voted in the affirmative.

The resolve and Article of Amendment were as follows: —

*Resolved*, That the following Article of Amendment, having been agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, and having been entered on the journals of both houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, in the year last past, and referred to the present General Court, and published according to law, and being agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, shall be submitted to the people for their ratification and adoption.

*Article of Amendment.*

So much of article two of section 1 of chapter 2 of part the second of the Constitution of the Commonwealth as is contained in the following words: “and unless he shall at the same time, be seized in his own right, of a freehold within the Commonwealth of the value of one thousand pounds,” is hereby annulled.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, under the provisions of joint rule No. 10, on the order relative to amending the laws relating to the granting of licenses to minors to sell goods, wares, or merchandise, as provided in section 2 of chapter 68 of the Public Statutes, so that boards of aldermen and selectmen shall have power to make regulations relating thereto without any authorization of the city council or town being required, — was considered. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Fernald moved that it be amended by the substitution of a “Bill relating to peddling by minors.” The amendment was adopted and the bill was substituted, Minors, peddling by.

read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

**The Senate reports**

**Senate reports.**

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the passage of an act to authorize the city of Boston to indemnify citizens for any loss or damage they may sustain while assisting a police officer in the performance of police duty ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so as to provide that the provisions thereof relating to the opening of ballot-boxes and the taking of ballots therefrom to be counted may also apply to all voting precincts in the Commonwealth ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, known as the Election Act of 1890, so that the provisions thereof, permitting towns not divided into voting precincts, and having more than six hundred voters, to open the ballot-boxes, during the progress of the vote, and take therefrom ballots to be counted, may also apply to all precincts in towns divided into voting precincts ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Hanover for legislation to enable said town to abolish the use of the Australian ballot system in voting for town officers ; and

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Republican Editorial Association for such amendment of the laws relating to elections as shall facilitate the speedy announcement of the results thereof ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**House report.**

The House Report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to limiting the number of hours which shall constitute a day's work in all cases of employment ; also relative to making eight hours a day's work, was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at twenty-seven minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, April 28, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary,  
that the House bills

To confirm certain proceedings of the town of Goshen ;

Goshen, town  
of, — town  
meeting.

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting  
of the town of Williamsburg ; and

Williamsburg,  
town of, — town  
meeting.

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting  
of the town of Belchertown, — severally, ought to pass ;

Belchertown,  
town of, — town  
meeting.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury,  
that the House Bill to establish the salary of the associate  
medical examiner of the county of Suffolk, ought to pass ;

Associate medi-  
cal examiner of  
Suffolk County,  
salary of.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the  
House Bill to establish the salary of the assistant State  
Librarian and clerk of the Board of Education ; and

Assistant State  
Librarian,  
salary of.

The House Resolve in favor of John A. Floyd, —  
severally, ought to pass ; and

John A. Floyd.

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the  
Senate Bill relating to the duties of judges of probate and  
insolvency ; and

Judges of pro-  
bate and insol-  
vency, duties of.

The House bills

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners  
for the county of Plymouth ; and

County commis-  
sioners for  
Plymouth  
County.

Providing for the pensioning of officers of the State  
Prison injured in the discharge of their duty ; and

State Prison,  
officers of.

The House Resolve in favor of Christie A. Fisk, —  
severally, ought to pass ;

Christie A.  
Fisk.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-  
morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Smith, from the committee on Election Laws,  
on two orders, a Bill in relation to witnesses at hearings  
on questions concerning the nomination of State officers,  
and fixing the compensation of ballot law commissioners ;

State officers,  
nomination of,  
— compensation  
of ballot law  
commissioners.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on  
the Treasury.

Gas consumers,  
protection of.

By Mr. Baker, from the committee on Manufactures, that the Bill to protect gas consumers from excessive charges (introduced on leave in the House), ought not to pass ;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

*Committee Discharged.*

Judges of probate and insolvency, retirement of.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee on the Treasury, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the House Bill to provide for the retirement of judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth. The report was read, and, pending the question on the acceptance of the same, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Stevens, postponed until to-morrow.

*Reconsideration.*

Seamen, protection of.

On motion of Mr. Butler, the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the House Bill for the better protection of seamen, was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, it was further amended, on motion of the same Senator, by inserting in section 4, line 4, after the word "masters," the words "owners or agents." The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

*Placed on File.*

Women and children, hours of labor of.

Mr. Howard presented a petition of Mary Jackson and others for the passage of an act reducing the hours of labor of women and children ; and the same was placed on file.

*Orders Adopted.*

Mercantile Affairs, committee on.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, —  
*Ordered,* That the committee on Mercantile Affairs be granted until Friday, May 6, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Clark, —

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns on Thursday of each week, it adjourn to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M. Hour of meeting.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the duties of the superintendent of schools of the city of Marlborough (on the petition of a committee appointed by the city council of said city), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for tomorrow for a second reading. Marlborough, city of, — superintendent of schools.

A Bill to preserve the purity of the waters of Spot Pond (on the petition of the water boards of Malden, Medford and Melrose), was read. On motion of Mr. Fernald, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second time. On further motion of the same Senator, the bill was amended as follows: In section 2, by inserting, in line 7, after the word "are," the words "hereby constituted a joint board which is;" by striking out, in lines 17 and 18, the words "the representatives of each municipality shall have one vote," and inserting in place thereof the words "the aforesaid representatives of each municipality present at any meeting of said joint board shall collectively be entitled to one vote;" also, in section 3, line 3, by striking out the word "or," and inserting in place thereof the word "of." The bill was then read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Spot Pond, purity of waters of.

#### Reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on a Bill to provide for precinct voting in the election of town officers; and Elections, — precinct voting.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw:

On the petition of citizens of the towns of Yarmouth and Dennis relative to Bass River fisheries; Bass River, fisheries in.

On the petitions of George R. Wixon and others for a modification of the law prohibiting seining in the waters of Buzzard's Bay; and Buzzard's Bay, seining in.

Herring River,  
fisheries in.

On the petition of the selectmen of the town of Plymouth for a share of the profits of the Herring River fisheries now appropriated by the town of Bourne;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Sewers, con-  
struction of.

The Senate Bill to give greater powers to cities and towns in relation to the construction of sewers, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, striking out, in section 1, line 14, the word "or," and inserting in place thereof the word "of;" striking out, in section 2, line 8, the word "inhabitants," and inserting in place thereof the words "legal voters thereof;" striking out, in section 7, line 6, the word "inhabitants," and inserting in place thereof the words "legal voters;" inserting, in section 8, line 17, after the word "city," the words "or town;" also inserting, in section 6, line 9, before the word "any," the words "section 7." On motion of Mr. Clark, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended and the amendments were forthwith considered and were adopted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Water Supply,  
committee on.

The Senate order "That the committee on Water Supply be granted further time in which to report upon matters now before them," came up, adopted, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out the words "further time," and inserting in place thereof the words "until May 6;" and the Senate concurred therein.

Clinton, town  
of, — water  
supply.

The Senate Bill to authorize the town of Clinton to increase its water supply and to incur indebtedness therefor, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, striking out, in section 4, lines 4 and 5, the words "water commissioners," and inserting in place thereof the words "legal voters;" striking out, in the same section, line 18, the words "water commissioners," and inserting in place thereof the word "town;" striking out, in section 5, lines 5 and 6, the words "water commissioners," and inserting in place thereof the word "town;" also striking out, in the same section, lines 8 and 9, the words "the vote of the water commissioners," and inserting in place thereof the words "said vote."

Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendments they were, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The Senate Bill relating to the equity docket of the Superior Court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

*“Section 1.* Section five of chapter two hundred and twenty-three of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-three, as amended by chapter three hundred and sixteen of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-four, is amended to read as follows: Such suits shall be entered upon the same docket as other cases in the Superior Court, except in Middlesex and Suffolk counties, where they shall be entered upon a separate docket, which shall be called the equity docket. All process shall be made returnable at the term next after fourteen days from the service of the process, if required to be served fourteen days before the return day, or at the term next after thirty days from such service, if required to be served thirty days before the return day, or at any rule day within three months after the service of the process. *Sect. 2.* This act shall take effect on the first day of July in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two.”

Suffolk and Middlesex, counties of, — equity docket of Superior Court.

Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendment, it was, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed, to wit: —

To increase the bounty for the destruction of seals;

Bills enacted.

Relating to crossings of railroads, street railways, highways and other ways;

To authorize the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston to increase its capital stock;

To authorize the North Adams Fire District to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the year in which its debts are incurred;

To authorize the Wellesley Congregational Church to remove bodies from a portion of its old cemetery and devote the land to the use of the church;

Relating to voting at meetings of the proprietors of the Crombie Street Church in Salem;

**Bills enacted.**

To reduce witness fees and other costs where two or more cases are tried together ;

To incorporate the People's Street Railway Company ;

Relating to the commitment of insane persons ;

To amend an act to supply the town of Orange with water ;

To authorize the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its town hall bonds ;

To permit the Foxborough Water Supply District to supply water to residents of Foxborough outside the district ;

Authorizing the reimbursement of expenses incurred by certain towns in the maintenance of the insane ;

To provide for recounting ballots cast in towns upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

To authorize the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its water fund bonds ;

To establish the salary of the first assistant district attorney for the Suffolk district ;

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk ;

To provide for the preservation of the public health in the town of Nantucket ;

To change the name of the South Adams Fire District in Adams, and to enable it to refund its indebtedness ;

To authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to receive and hold the property now held by the Lamson Home ; and

To authorize Fire District No. 1 of South Hadley to make an additional water loan.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed and were signed, to wit : —

**Resolves passed.**

To provide for repairing workshops damaged by fire at the State Prison ;

In favor of the town of Nantucket ;

In favor of James K. Barbour ;

Providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Framingham ;

In favor of Ella Raymond ;

Providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Bridgewater, and for preparing and printing a general catalogue of the school ;



Providing for repairs, current expenses and the further equipment of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates; and

Providing for finishing the exterior of the Normal Art School building.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To incorporate the Haverhill and Amesbury Street Railway Company; Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To confirm the proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of North Brookfield; and

To incorporate the town of West Tisbury.

An engrossed Resolve relative to the amount of the county tax for the county of Worcester (which originated in the House), was passed, and, with the last three bills, above named, was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation. Resolve passed, etc.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the House Bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock, was considered; and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit:— Connecticut River Railroad Company.

### YEAS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Parkman, Henry  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Stevens, Eben S. — 10.

### NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Eaton, William N.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert  
McNary, William S.

Messrs. Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Provin, William  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H. — 22.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Drury, John E.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.  
Nutter, Isaac N.

Messrs. Read, John (Middlesex)  
Thayer, John R.  
Wyer, Edwin F.—7.

So the motion to reconsider was negatived.

Infants, board-  
ing-houses for.

The Bill to provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding-houses for infants, was considered, the question being on ordering the same to a third reading. Mr. Coveney moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, with instructions to give a public hearing, and further moved a suspension of the 5th joint rule, in order that the question on recommitment might be entertained.

Pending the question on the suspension of the rule, the further consideration of the bill was, on motion of Mr. McNary, postponed until to-morrow.

Bills.

The bills

Relating to cards of instructions and specimen ballots for State and city elections ;

To provide for the establishment of city governments ;

To establish a Naval Brigade to be attached to the Volunteer Militia ;

Relating to peddling by minors ; and

To provide for the appointment of a woman as assistant probation officer in the municipal court of the city of Boston ; and

The resolves

Resolves.

Relative to indexing the names of soldiers of the War of the Rebellion in the office of the Adjutant-General ; and

To provide for repairs at the State Prison ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Justices of  
Superior Court,  
salaries of.

The Bill to establish the salaries of the justices of the Superior Court, was read a second time. Mr. Fernald moved that the bill be amended, in section 1, by striking out, in line 5, the words "six thousand," and inserting in place thereof the words "sixty-five hundred ;" and by striking out, in line 9, the words "five thousand five hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words "six thousand," and these amendments were rejected by a vote

of 7 to 13 (a quorum being present). The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Resolve providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy, was considered, the question being on the rejection of the same, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury. By a vote of 5 to 11 (a quorum being present), the Senate refused to reject the resolve, and the same was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Pharmacy,  
practice of.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings, was considered; and pending the amendment moved by Mr. Reade of Suffolk, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Smith, postponed until Monday next.

Woburn, city  
of, — superin-  
tendent of pub-  
lic buildings.

The Senate Bill relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments, was considered, the main question being on passing the same to be engrossed. On motion of Mr. Simpkins, the pending amendment, *i. e.* the new draft, recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading as a substitute, was amended by inserting a new section, as follows: "*Sect. 2.* Nothing herein contained shall be construed to repeal the provisions of section four of chapter seventy-four of the Public Statutes, and acts in amendment thereof or supplementary thereto, except so far as the same relates to the hours of labor during which minors and women may be employed in a week."

Minors and  
women, em-  
ployment of.

Mr. Clark moved that the proposed new draft be further amended by striking out, in the last section, the words "upon its passage," and inserting in place thereof the words "when legislation reducing the hours of labor for women and children employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments to fifty-eight hours or less in one week, shall be adopted by the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Connecticut," — and this amendment was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Ray, the last section of the proposed new draft was amended by striking out the words "upon its passage" and inserting in place thereof the words "on the fourth day of July in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two."

The bill was then amended by the substitution of the amended new draft, and, as thus amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Births, deaths  
and marriages,  
records of.**

The Senate Bill concerning records of births, deaths and marriages, was considered, the main question being on passing the bill to be engrossed. On motion of Mr. Parkman, the new draft, moved by him as a substitute, was amended by striking out section 4. The bill was then amended by the substitution of the amended new draft, and, as thus amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**House bill.**

The House Bill relating to the payment for labor performed on buildings or public works owned by cities or towns (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**Electric light  
wires, erection  
of.**

The House Bill placing restrictions upon the erection of electric light wires, was read a third time; but, without action thereon, —

On motion of Mr. Smith, at six minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain of the House of Representatives.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Stevens, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Resolve relating to the burdens of pauperism and crime imposed on the State by immigrants and others; and

Pauperism and crime, burdens of, imposed on the State.

The House Bill to establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Norfolk, — severally, ought to pass;

Treasurer of Norfolk County, salary of.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

By Mr. Merritt, from the committee on Agriculture, on an order, a Resolve providing for a new tool house and for rebuilding the Durfee Plant House at the Massachusetts Agricultural College (Mr. Adams, of the House, dissenting); and

Massachusetts Agricultural College, — new buildings.

By Mr. Mott, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Chelsea, a Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea Bridge;

Chelsea Bridge, — grade crossings.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

By Mr. Arnold, from the committee on Woman Suffrage, on two orders and on sundry petitions (recommended), a Bill granting municipal suffrage to women (Messrs. McEttrick, of the Senate, and Warren, of the House, dissenting);

Woman suffrage.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

By Mr. Butler, from the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations and changing the name of said officer;

Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, powers and duties of.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court :

Clerical assistance,—deficiencies in appropriations.  
Board of Agriculture.

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to clerical assistance, and to deficiencies in appropriations ;

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Board of Agriculture ; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Board of Agriculture ; and

State commissions, etc.

On so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the following subjects :—Inspection of fish and other articles ; tables and indexes relating to the Statutes ; Commissioners of Shipwrecked Goods ; State Board of Lunacy and Charity ; Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations ; Commission of Public Works ; Trustees of Public Institutions ; and Trustees of State Primary and Reform Schools ;

By the same Senator, from the same committee, no legislation necessary :

Pilot Commissioners.

On so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Pilot Commissioners ; and the order relative to amending chapter 70 of the Public Statutes, relating to the Pilot Commissioners for the harbor of Boston, so as to remove from the Boston Marine Society the nomination of said commissioners and place the appointment of the same in some other authority, or of abolishing the present commission and establishing a new one ; and also providing for the compensation and duties of said commissioners (Messrs. Butler and McEttrick, of the Senate, and O'Brien and McLoughlin, of the House, present and dissenting) ;

Increased executive responsibility.

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to increased executive responsibility (Messrs. McEttrick of the Senate, and Carter, Luby, McLoughlin and O'Brien, of the House, present and dissenting) ;

Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties.

On so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Coun-

ties ; on the Bill to continue the Commission on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties (introduced on leave in the House) ; and on the Bill to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records (introduced on leave in the House) ;

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Board of Supervisors of Statistics ; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Board of Supervisors of Statistics ;

Supervisors of  
Statistics.

On so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the power of removal and appointment (Messrs. McEttrick, of the Senate, and Carter, McLoughlin, Luby and O'Brien, of the House, present and dissenting) ;

Removal and  
appointment,  
power of.

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Superintendent of Prisons ; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Superintendent of Prisons (Messrs. McEttrick, of the Senate, and Carter, McLoughlin and O'Brien, of the House, present and dissenting) ;

Superintendent  
of Prisons.

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Topographical Survey Commission ; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Topographical Survey Commission ;

Topographical  
Survey Com-  
mission.

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to executive boards and officers ;

Executive  
boards and  
officers.

On the fourth report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties ;

Commissioner  
on Public  
Records, etc.

On the report of the Topographical Survey Commission ; and

Topographical  
Survey Com-  
mission.

On various portions of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions (see Senate, No. 197) ;

State com-  
missions.

Gas or electric  
companies, con-  
solidation of.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on Manufactures, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to the consolidation or union of corporations chartered or authorized to supply gas or electricity, or both, for light, heat or power, and in relation to the sale and transfer of the property and franchises of such corporations; and

New York and  
New England  
Railroad  
Company.

By Mr. Ray, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, at its own request, on the petition of the New York and New England Railroad Company for authority to issue additional bonds and to secure the same by mortgage upon its franchise and property;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

*Taken from the Table.*

Shipping mas-  
ters, licensing  
of.

On motion of Mr. Butler, the Senate Report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John F. O'Sullivan that shipping masters may be licensed, was taken from the table and accepted.

*Introduced on Leave.*

Stillman W.  
Edgell,  
expenses in con-  
nection with  
funeral of, etc.

Mr. Gilman (on leave, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), introduced a Resolve providing for the payment of expenses in connection with the disappearance and funeral of the late Stillman W. Edgell; and the same was read and referred to the committee on Expenditures.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Petitions.*

The following petitions were severally presented and referred:—

Great Barrington Water  
Company,—  
Berkshire  
Heights Water  
Company.

By Mr. Kimball, a petition of the water commissioners of the Great Barrington Fire District for authority to extend and improve the works of the Great Barrington Water Company and the Berkshire Heights Water Company and to issue bonds for the payment thereof; also that the time within which said fire district may vote to take the franchise, corporate property and all the rights and privileges of the Great Barrington Water Company, be extended to June 11, 1894;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.



By Mr. Simpkins, a petition of W. E. Chaffin that the towns of Dennis and Yarmouth be authorized to form a school district for the purpose of employing a superintendent of schools in said towns; Dennis and Yarmouth, towns of,— school district.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Education.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

### *Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Stevens, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Education be granted until Friday, May 6, in which to report upon matters now before them. Education, committee on.

On motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on State House be granted until Friday, May 6, in which to report upon matters now before them. State House, committee on.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

#### Bills

To establish a commission to improve the highways of this Commonwealth (on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the subject and on five orders); and Highway commission.

To authorize the towns of West Stockbridge, Richmond, Egremont, Sheffield and New Marlborough to receive aid from the State treasury for their schools (on the petition of the secretary of the State Board of Education); State aid for sundry schools.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

#### Bills

Relating to the manufacture and sale of clothing made in unhealthy places (on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the subject, and on three orders and sundry petitions); and Clothing made in unhealthy places, sale of.

To regulate the hours of labor of railroad employees (on an order), (Mr. Green, of the House, dissenting); Railroad employees.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a Resolve providing for the construction of fire escapes at the State Primary School at Monson (intro- State Primary School at Monson.

duced on leave in the House) ; and the same was returned to the House for its action.

Boston, city of,  
— public parks.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Boston to procure and prepare for public use one or more open spaces in said city, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, striking out, in section 3, lines 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, the words "said city may take in fee, by purchase or otherwise, for the use of the city, lands for the purpose aforesaid, in or near the section of said city determined by said city, of an assessed value not exceeding two-thirds of the amount so authorized," and inserting in place thereof the words "said city, with the approval of the mayor, may take in fee, by purchase or otherwise, such lands of a total assessed value not exceeding two-thirds of the amount so authorized, as shall be determined by said city, and may agree with the persons owning such lands as to the damages to be paid by the city therefor;" also inserting a new section, as follows: "*Sect. 5.* The damages for the land so taken shall be paid by the city from the proceeds of the bonds or certificates hereinbefore provided for, and the city or any person whose property is taken, if they cannot agree as hereinbefore provided upon the damages, may have the same determined in the same manner as damages for property taken in laying out highways in said city are determined."

Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendments, they were, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

#### *Message from the Governor.*

Message from  
the Governor,—  
World's  
Columbian  
Exposition.

A message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a communication from the Massachusetts Commissioners of the World's Columbian Exposition, in reference to the ceremonies to be held in Chicago on Oct. 12, 13 and 14, 1892, in connection with opening said Exposition, was, with the accompanying communication, referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Federal Relations.

#### *House Petition and Remonstrance.*

The following House petition and remonstrance were severally referred, in concurrence :—

A remonstrance of the trustees of Boston University against the taking of land and buildings of the University for a site for a new city hall in Boston ;

Boston, city of,  
— taking land  
for a city hall.

To the committee on Cities.

A petition of R. E. Burbank that the name of the Protestant German Evangelical Parish in the city of Pittsfield may be changed ;

Protestant  
German  
Evangelical  
Parish of Pitts-  
field.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

*Bills and Resolves Laid Before the Governor.*

The following engrossed bills which were, yesterday, passed to be enacted and signed, were laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

To increase the bounty for the destruction of seals ;

Enacted bills  
laid before the  
Governor.

Relating to crossings of railroads, street railways, highways and other ways ;

To authorize the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston to increase its capital stock ;

To authorize the North Adams Fire District to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the year in which its debts are incurred ;

To authorize the Wellesley Congregational Church to remove bodies from a portion of its old cemetery and devote the land to the use of the church ;

Relating to voting at meetings of the proprietors of the Crombie Street Church in Salem ;

To reduce witness fees and other costs where two or more cases are tried together ;

To incorporate the People's Street Railway Company ;

Relating to the commitment of insane persons ;

To amend an act to supply the town of Orange with water ;

To authorize the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its town hall bonds ;

To permit the Foxborough Water Supply District to supply water to residents of Foxborough outside the district ;

Authorizing the reimbursement of expenses incurred by certain towns in the maintenance of the insane ;

To provide for recounting ballots cast in towns upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Enacted bills  
laid before the  
Governor.

To authorize the town of Melrose to refund a portion of its water fund bonds ;

To establish the salary of the first assistant district attorney for the Suffolk district ;

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk ;

To provide for the preservation of the public health in the town of Nantucket ;

To change the name of the South Adams Fire District in Adams, and to enable it to refund its indebtedness ;

To authorize the Massachusetts Baptist Charitable Society to receive and hold the property now held by the Lamson Home ; and

To authorize Fire District No. 1 of South Hadley to make an additional water loan.

The following engrossed resolves which were, yesterday, passed and signed, were laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Resolves laid  
before the  
Governor.

To provide for repairing workshops damaged by fire at the State Prison ;

In favor of the town of Nantucket ;

In favor of James K. Barbour ;

Providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Framingham ;

In favor of Ella Raymond ;

Providing for improvements at the State Normal School at Bridgewater, and for preparing and printing a general catalogue of the school ;

Providing for repairs, current expenses and the further equipment of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ; and

Providing for finishing the exterior of the Normal Art School building.

#### *Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

To authorize the town of Nantucket to elect a board of sewer commissioners ;

To incorporate the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Company ;

To authorize the city of Brockton to alter and widen West Street in said city ; and

Relative to appointments on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House) were severally passed, and, with the above-named bills, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

In relation to the sewer from the Reformatory Prison Resolves passed, etc.  
for Women ; and

In favor of Andrew C. Scott and David L. Adamson.

### *Discharged from the Orders.*

On motion of Mr. Ray, the House Bill to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of the town of Stoughton, was discharged from the Orders of the Day, under a suspension of Senate Rule No. 36, and read a third time. Stoughton, town of, — town meeting.

Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by inserting, in line 2, before the word “meeting,” the word “town ;” by inserting, in line 6, after the word “ratified,” the word “confirmed ;” and by striking out, in line 7, the word “declared,” and inserting in place thereof the word “made.”

These amendments were severally adopted and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Ray.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The unfinished business of yesterday, *i. e.*, the House Bill placing restrictions upon the erection of electric light wires, was considered, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Electric light wires, erection of.

The Bill to provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding-houses for infants, was considered, the main question being on ordering the same to a third reading. There being no objection, Mr. Coveney withdrew his motions to suspend the 5th joint rule and to recommit the bill to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, Boarding-houses for infants.

with instructions to give a public hearing. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McNary, postponed until Tuesday, May 3.

Clinton, town  
of, — water  
supply.

The Senate concurred in the adoption of the House amendments to the Senate Bill to authorize the town of Clinton to increase its water supply and to incur indebtedness therefor, — striking out, in section 4, lines 4 and 5, the words “water commissioners,” and inserting in place thereof the words “legal voters;” striking out, in the same section, line 18, the words “water commissioners,” and inserting in place thereof the word “town;” striking out, in section 5, lines 5 and 6, the words “water commissioners,” and inserting in place thereof the word “town;” also striking out, in the same section, lines 8 and 9, the words “the vote of the water commissioners,” and inserting in place thereof the words “said vote.”

Suffolk and  
Middlesex,  
counties of, —  
equity docket  
of Superior  
Court.

The House amendment to the Senate Bill relating to the equity docket of the Superior Court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex, — striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following: “*Section 1.* Section five of chapter two hundred and twenty-three of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-three, as amended by chapter three hundred and sixteen of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-four, is amended to read as follows: Such suits shall be entered upon the same docket as other cases in the Superior Court, except in Middlesex and Suffolk counties, where they shall be entered upon a separate docket, which shall be called the equity docket. All process shall be made returnable at the term next after fourteen days from the service of the process, if required to be served fourteen days before the return day, or at the term next after thirty days from such service, if required to be served thirty days before the return day, or at any rule day within three months after the service of the process. *Sect. 2.* This act shall take effect on the first day of July in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two,” — was considered. The Senate non-concurred therein, and the bill was returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

Pharmacy,  
practice of.

The Resolve providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy, was read a second time. Mr. Fernald moved that the resolve be

amended, in line 3, by striking out the word "fifteen," and inserting in place thereof the word "five." Mr. Gilman moved that the resolve be amended in the same line, by striking out the words "fifteen hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words "one thousand." The question being put on the amendment moved by Mr. Gilman, the same was adopted. The resolve, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

#### The bills

Relating to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency ; Bills.

To establish the salary of the associate medical examiner of the county of Suffolk ;

To establish the salary of the assistant State Librarian and clerk of the Board of Education ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Plymouth ;

Providing for the pensioning of officers of the State Prison injured in the discharge of their duty ;

To confirm certain proceedings of the town of Goshen ;

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Williamsburg ;

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Belchertown ; and

Relative to the duties of the superintendent of schools of the city of Marlborough ; and

#### The resolves

In favor of John A. Floyd ; and

Resolves.

In favor of Christie A. Fisk ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to protect gas consumers from excessive charges, was considered ; and pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Manufactures, it was, on motion of Mr. McNary, laid on the table. Gas consumers, protection of, from excessive charges.

The Senate Bill to provide for the establishment of city governments, was read a third time ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McEttrick, postponed until Monday next. City governments, establishment of.

#### The Senate bills

Relating to cards of instructions and specimen ballots for State and city elections ; Senate bill.

## Senate bills.

To establish a Naval Brigade to be attached to the Volunteer Militia; and

Relating to peddling by minors;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Caterpillars,  
extermination  
of, within  
limits of high-  
ways.

The House Bill to provide for the extermination of caterpillars within the limits of highways, was read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Stevens, by a vote of 13 to 9, the bill was amended, in section 1, line 2, by striking out the word "shall," and inserting in place thereof the word "may."

On motion of Mr. Simpkins, the bill was further amended, in section 1, by striking out, in line 10, the words "shall exterminate," and inserting in place thereof the word "exterminates."

Mr. Simpkins moved that the bill be further amended, by striking out, in section 2, line 2, the word "shall," and inserting in place thereof the word "may," and this amendment was rejected by a vote of 7 to 8 (a quorum being present). Mr. Simpkins moved that the vote by which the amendment was rejected, be reconsidered, and this motion prevailed, by a vote of 15 to 2 (a quorum being present). On the recurring question, the amendment was adopted. The bill, as amended, was then rejected.

Justices of  
Superior Court,  
salaries of.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of the justices of the Superior Court, was read a third time. Mr. Fernald moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 5, the words "six thousand," and inserting in place thereof the words "sixty-five hundred;" and by striking out, in line 9, the words "five thousand five hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words "six thousand." Pending these amendments, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was, on further motion of the same Senator, laid on the table.

## House bill.

The House Bill to provide for the appointment of a woman as assistant probation officer in the municipal court of the city of Boston; and

The House resolves

## House resolves.

Relative to indexing the names of soldiers of the War of the Rebellion in the office of the Adjutant-General; and



To provide for repairs at the State Prison ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on the Treasury, reference to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth, of the House Bill to provide for the retirement of judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties, was considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Southwick, postponed until Monday next.

Judges of probate and insolvency, retirement of.

The House reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill to provide for precinct voting in the election of town officers ;

House reports.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of citizens of the towns of Yarmouth and Dennis relative to Bass River fisheries ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on petitions of George R. Wixon and others for a modification of the law prohibiting seining in the waters of Buzzard's Bay ; and

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Plymouth for a share in the profits of the Herring River fisheries now appropriated by the town of Bourne ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Provin, at twenty-four minutes before one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

Chelsea Bridge,  
— grade cross-  
ings.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea Bridge, ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Wenham, town  
of.

By Mr. Thayer, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of the selectmen of said town, a Bill to authorize the town of Wenham to fund its debt and issue bonds or notes therefor;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Dorchester Gas  
Light Company,  
— union of gas  
and electric  
light companies.

By Mr. Howard, from the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to re-enacting chapter 372 of the Acts of the year 1887, entitled: "An Act in relation to the Dorchester Gas Light Company," and of extending the provisions of said act so as to authorize the union of such gas light and electric light companies as have been already established for furnishing light in the same, or contiguous territories; subject however in all cases to the consent of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Woburn, city  
of, — superin-  
tendent of pub-  
lic buildings.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings, was considered, the main question being on passing the bill to be engrossed. The question on the adoption of the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Reade of Suffolk, to strike out,

in section 4, line 2, the words "concurrent vote of the city council," and insert in place thereof the words "a majority of the voters," and to add at the end of line 3, the words "voting upon the question at any city election," — was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McNary, William S.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Thayer, John R. — 15.

NAYS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 13.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. Patrick J. Kennedy,

NAY.

Mr. William H. West (present). — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
Meade, William E.

Messrs. Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Ray, William F.  
Stevens, Eben S. — 9.

So the amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to provide for the establishment of city governments, was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Parkman, postponed until Monday, May 9, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

City govern-  
ments, estab-  
lishment of.

The Senate concurred in the adoption of the several House amendments to the Senate Bill to authorize the city of Boston to procure and prepare for public use one or more open spaces in said city.

Boston, city of,  
— public parks.

## The bills

**Bills.** To establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Norfolk; and

Relating to the manufacture and sale of clothing made in unhealthy places; and

**Resolve.** The Resolve relating to the burdens of pauperism and crime imposed on the State by immigrants and others;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Railroad employees, hours of labor of.**

The Bill to regulate the hours of labor of railroad employees, was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Howard, by a vote of 13 to 3 (a quorum being present), postponed until Wednesday next.

**Woman suffrage.**

The Bill granting municipal suffrage to women, was read a second time.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Gilman moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until Friday next, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day, and this motion was lost.

Mr. Provin moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Thursday next, and this motion was lost, by a vote of 10 to 15.

The question on ordering the bill to a third reading was then determined as follows, to wit:—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther

Messrs. Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
West, William H. — 10.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.

Messrs. Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Parkman, Henry  
Provin, William  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Thayer, John R. — 22.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
Merritt, Christopher C.

Messrs. Ray, William F.  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 7.

So the bill was refused a third reading.

The Senate Bill relating to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency; and Senate bill.

The Senate Resolve providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy (as previously amended); Senate resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to authorize the proprietors of Oak Grove Cemetery Association to convey its property to the town of Plymouth, was read a third time. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out the words "authorities of said Vine Hills Cemetery" (added, by amendment, by the House), and inserting in place thereof the words "said inhabitants." The amendment was adopted and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. Oak Grove Cemetery Association.

The House bills

To establish the salary of the associate medical examiner for the county of Suffolk (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); House bills.

To establish the salary of the assistant State Librarian and clerk of the Board of Education;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Plymouth;

To confirm certain proceedings of the town of Goshen;

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Williamsburg;

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Belchertown; and

Relative to the duties of the superintendent of schools of the city of Marlborough; and

The House resolves

In favor of John A. Floyd; and House resolve.

House resolve.

In favor of Christie A. Fisk ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

State Prison,  
officers of, —  
pensions.

The House Bill providing for the pensioning of officers of the State Prison injured in the discharge of their duty, was read a third time and rejected.

Pilot commis-  
sioners.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the pilot commissioners ; and the order relative to amending chapter 70 of the Public Statutes, relating to the pilot commissioners for the harbor of Boston, so as to remove from the Boston Marine Society the nomination of said commissioners, and place the appointment of the same in some other authority, or of abolishing the present commission and establishing a new one ; and also providing for the compensation and duties of said commissioners, — was considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Butler, by a vote of 15 to 2 (a quorum being present), postponed until Wednesday next.

Increased  
executive  
responsibility.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to increased executive responsibility, was considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McEttrick, postponed until Wednesday next.

Power of  
removal and  
appointment.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the power of removal and appointment, — was considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McEttrick, postponed until Thursday next.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Superintendent of Prisons; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Superintendent of Prisons, — was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McEttrick, postponed until Thursday next.

Superintendent  
of Prisons.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to executive boards and officers, was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Butler, laid on the table.

Executive  
boards and  
officers.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties; also on the Bill to continue the Commission on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties (introduced on leave in the House), and the Bill to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records (introduced on leave in the House), — was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Butler, laid on the table.

Commissioner  
on Public  
Records of  
Parishes,  
Towns and  
Counties.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the following subjects: Inspection of Fish and other articles; Tables and Indexes relating to the Statutes; Commissioners of Shipwrecked Goods; State Board of Lunacy and Charity; Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations; Commissioners of Pub-

State commis-  
sions, etc.

lic Works ; Trustees of Public Institutions ; and Trustees of State Primary and Reform Schools, — was considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Butler, postponed until Wednesday next.

Gas or electric  
companies, con-  
solidation of.

The Senate Report of the committee on Manufactures, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to the consolidation or union of corporations chartered or authorized to supply gas or electricity, or both, for light, heat or power, and in relation to the sale and transfer of the property and franchises of such corporations, — was considered. Mr. McEttrick moved that the report be amended by the substitution of a “ Resolve providing for an inquiry by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners into the nature and extent of the business relations between certain gas companies.” Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. McDonald, by a vote of 12 to 10, laid on the table.

Judges of  
probate and  
insolvency,  
retirement of.

The Senate Report of the committee on the Treasury, recommending reference to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth of the House Bill to provide for the retirement of judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence in the reference.

Senate reports.

#### The Senate reports

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on various portions of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions (Senate, No. 197) ;

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Topographical Survey Commission ;

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Topographical Survey Commission ; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of



changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Topographical Survey Commission;

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on the fourth report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties;

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Board of Supervisors of Statistics; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Board of Supervisors of Statistics;

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, and changing the name of said officer;

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to clerical assistance, and to deficiencies in appropriations;

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Board of Agriculture; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Board of Agriculture; and

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, at its own request, on the petition of the New York and New England Railroad Company for authority to issue additional bonds and to secure the same by mortgage upon its franchise and property;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, at twenty-four minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, May 3, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

State officers,  
nomination of,  
— compensation  
of ballot-law  
commissioners.

State aid to cer-  
tain towns for  
schools.

World's  
Columbian  
Exposition at  
Chicago.

Accounts of  
cities, examina-  
tion of.

Woburn, city  
of, — superin-  
tendent of pub-  
lic buildings.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Bill in relation to witnesses at hearings on questions concerning the nomination of State officers, and fixing the compensation of ballot law commissioners; and

The House Bill to authorize the towns of West Stockbridge, Richmond, Egremont, Sheffield and New Marlborough to receive aid from the State treasury for their schools, — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on Federal Relations, on the message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting a communication from the Massachusetts Commission of said Exposition, a Resolve relative to the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing for a uniform system of accounts of cities, other than Boston, and for their supervision and examination by the Controller of County Accounts or by some other system of State supervision of said accounts; and for the expense of the same;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Reconsideration.*

Mr. Wyer moved that the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Senate Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent

of public buildings, be reconsidered ; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit : —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 18.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 14.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. Sidney P. Smith,  
Mr. Michael J. McEttrick (present),  
Mr. William M. Butler,

## NAYS.

Mr. James W. McDonald (present).  
Mr. Richard A. Carter.  
Mr. William H. Carberry (present). — 6.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. William F. Ray. — 1.

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

The same Senator further moved that the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, adopted the amendment striking out, in section 4, line 2, the words “ concurrent vote of the city council,” and inserting in place thereof the words “ a majority of the voters,” and adding at the end of line 3, the words “ voting upon the question at any city election,” — be reconsidered ; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit : —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 19.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Carberry, William H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 17.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Carter, Richard A.

Mr. Smith, Sidney P. — 3.

So the motion to reconsider the adoption of the amendment prevailed.

The recurring question on the adoption of the amendment was then determined as follows, to wit :—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Carberry, William H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 16.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
McEtrick, Michael J.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 20.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Carter, Richard A.

Mr. Smith, Sidney P. — 3.

So the amendment was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, the bill was amended, in section 1, line 2, by striking out the word "shall," and inserting in place thereof the word "may," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Motions to Reconsider.*

Mr. Clark moved that the vote by which the Senate, State Prison, officers of, — pensions. yesterday, rejected the House Bill providing for the pensioning of officers of the State Prison injured in the discharge of their duty, be reconsidered; and the further consideration of this motion was, on motion of Mr. Simpkins, postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. McNary moved that the vote by which the Senate, State commissions. yesterday, accepted the Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on various portions of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions (Senate, No. 197), — be reconsidered; and the further consideration of this motion was, on motion of Mr. Fernald, postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. McNary moved that the vote by which the Senate, Board of Supervisors of Statistics. yesterday, accepted the Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Board of Supervisors of Statistics; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Board of Supervisors of Statistics, — be reconsidered; and the further consideration of this motion was, on further motion of the same Senator, postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. McNary moved that the vote by which the Senate, Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations. yesterday, accepted the Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, and changing the name of said officer, — be reconsidered; and the further consideration of this motion was, on further motion of the same Senator, postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. McNary moved that the vote by which the Senate, Board of Agriculture. yesterday, accepted the Senate Report of the joint special

committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Board of Agriculture ; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Board of Agriculture, — be reconsidered ; and the further consideration of this motion was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until to-morrow.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Tyngsborough,  
town of, — town  
meetings.

A Bill to confirm the proceedings of certain meetings of the town of Tyngsborough (on the petition of Amasa Pratt), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

#### Bills

County commis-  
sioners of  
Norfolk  
County, salaries  
of.  
Appropriations.

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk (on an order) ; and

In addition to an act making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year, and for other expenses authorized by law ;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

State Primary  
School at  
Monson.

A Resolve providing for the construction of fire-escapes at the State Primary School at Monson (introduced on leave in the House), was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Nutter, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Gas companies,  
returns of.

A Report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring more complete returns of gas corporations doing business in this State, to the end that consumers and holders of stock may be adequately protected, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Schooling and  
employment of  
children.

The Senate Bill relating to the schooling and limit of labor of children employed in manufacturing and other establishments, came up, recommitted, by the House, to the committee on Education, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule ; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the rule.

*Bills Enacted.*

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted, and were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:—

In relation to assistant probation officers for the municipal court of the city of Boston;

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

To authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock;

To preserve the purity of the waters of Spot Pond; and

To confirm the proceedings of a meeting of the town of Stoughton.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill to provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding-houses for infants, was considered. Mr. Coveney moved that the bill be amended by the substitution of a new draft with the same title. Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Meade, postponed until Tuesday, May 10, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

Infants, board-  
ing houses for.

The bills

To authorize the town of Wenham to fund its debt and issue bonds or notes therefor; and

Bills.

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea Bridge;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bills

To establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Norfolk; and

House bills.

Relating to the manufacture and sale of clothing made in unhealthy places;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to re-enacting chapter 372 of the Acts of the year 1887, entitled:

Dorchester Gas  
Light Company,  
— union of gas  
and electric  
light companies.

“An Act in relation to the Dorchester Gas Light Company,” and of extending the provisions of said act so as to authorize the union of such gas light and electric light companies as have been already established for furnishing light in the same, or contiguous territories; subject, however, in all cases to the consent of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, — was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Baker, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Champlin, at five minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.



WEDNESDAY, May 4, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, Appropriations.  
that the House Bill in addition to an act making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year, and for other expenses authorized by law, ought to pass ;

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve relative to the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago, ought to pass ; and World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago.

By the same Senator, from the committee on Expenditures, that the Resolve providing for the payment of expenses in connection with the disappearance and funeral of the late Stillman W. Edgell (introduced on leave), ought to pass ; Stillman W. Edgell, expenses in connection with funeral of, etc.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Resolve in favor of Harry W. Welch, ought not to pass ; Harry W. Welch.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

By Mr. Nichols, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the same, a Bill to authorize the Lexington Water Company to improve and increase its water supply ; Lexington Water Company.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Petition.*

Mr. Baker presented a petition of the mayor of the city of Lynn for legislation to authorize said city to borrow \$150,000, the proceeds of the same to be used to increase its water supply. On motion of the same Senator, the Lynn, city of, — water supply.

12th and 9th joint rules were severally suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Employers and employees, settlement of differences between.

A Bill relating to the settlement of differences between employers and their employees (on an order), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Suffolk and Middlesex, counties of, — equity docket of the Superior Court.

The Senate Bill relating to the equity docket of the Superior Court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex, came up, with the endorsement that the House insisted on the amendment (in the adoption of which the Senate had previously non-concurred). On motion of Mr. Butler, the Senate insisted on its non-concurrence and asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches.

#### *Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first fourteen of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted.

Providing for the collection of water rates by the city of Lynn;

To give greater powers to cities and towns in relation to the construction of sewers;

To provide for operating the Charles River Valley system of sewerage;

To authorize the grading and classifying of prisoners in the State Prison;

Relative to the blasting of rocks in the city of Boston;

To prevent the acquisition of rights of way across railroads by prescription;

To authorize the managers of the Boston Seamen's Friend Society to hold additional real and personal estate;

To authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness for sewerage purposes beyond the limit fixed by law;

To authorize the widening of Walter street in the city of Boston, and the taking of a part of a private burial ground therefor;

To increase the number of associate justices of the Superior Court ;

Authorizing the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners to sell certain property taken or purchased for sewerage purposes ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a truant school ;

To authorize the town of Newbury to construct and maintain a wharf at the public landing of said town on the River Parker ;

Making the record of instruments affecting the title to land conclusive evidence of delivery ;

Requiring certain returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ;

To provide for re-recording certain records ;

Relating to the payment for labor performed on buildings or public works owned by cities or towns ;

To authorize Horace S. Crowell to build causeways or bridges in the town of Falmouth ;

Placing restrictions upon the erection of electric light wires ;

To provide for the appointment of a woman as assistant probation officer in the municipal court of the city of Boston ;

To authorize the Essex Electric Street Railway Company to lease its railway franchises and other property to the Naumkeag Street Railway Company ;

To prohibit the sale of trout less than six inches in length ;

To authorize the city of Quincy and the towns of Weymouth and Hingham to grant locations to street railway corporations over Weymouth Fore River and Weymouth Back River ;

Relating to the returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ;

Requiring the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give a bond and report annually the transactions of his office ;

To authorize the town of Needham to make an additional water loan ;

Relating to special justices of inferior courts ;

Authorizing the furnishing of one hundred dollars' worth of books to the free libraries of certain towns whose valuation does not exceed \$600,000 ;

Requiring street railway companies to contribute to the expense of printing their reports ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the Bridgewater Water Company to issue a new series of bonds ;

Relating to the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service ;

To provide for voting for electors of President and Vice-President of the United States ;

To establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the chief of the district police ;

In relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts ;

To establish the salary of the first clerk in the office of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ;

To incorporate the Millis Water Company ;

To establish the salary of the Commissioner of State Aid appointed by the Governor and Council ; and

In relation to procedure upon writ of error or similar proceedings in criminal cases.

The following engrossed resolves (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed, to wit : —

Resolves passed.

In favor of George O. Bent ;

Relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition ;

Relative to furnishing the new armory at Lawrence ;

Providing for repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls ;

To provide for the publication of a new edition of the course of studies for ungraded schools ; a new edition of the school laws, and the purchase of educational books for the normal schools ;

To provide for repairs at the State Prison ; and

Relative to indexing the names of soldiers of the War of the Rebellion in the office of the Adjutant-General.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

State Prison, officers of, — pensions.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate rejected the House Bill providing for the pensioning of officers of the State Prison injured in the discharge of their duty, was negatived.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate accepted the Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on various portions of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions (Senate, No. 197), — was considered; and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit: —

## YEAS.

Messrs Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk) — 15.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Meade, William E.  
Nichols, George K.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 22.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Eben S. Stevens,

Mr. John R. Thayer. — 2.

So the motion to reconsider was lost.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate accepted the Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Board of Supervisors of Statistics; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Board of Supervisors of Statistics, — was considered; and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit: —

Board of  
Supervisors of  
Statistics.

## YEAS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Thayer, John R. — 16.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Meade, William E.  
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Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 22.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Eben S. Stevens. — 1.

So the motion to reconsider was lost.

Commissioner  
of Foreign  
Mortgage Cor-  
porations.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate accepted the Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to broadening the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations, and changing the name of said officer, — was considered; and, there being no objection, the motion was withdrawn by Mr. McNary.

Board of  
Agriculture.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate accepted the Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Board of Agriculture; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions as relates to the Board of Agriculture, — was negatived.

Railroad  
employees,  
hours of labor  
of.

The Bill to regulate the hours of labor of railroad employees, was considered, the question being on ordering the same to a third reading.

Mr. Merritt moved that the bill be amended, in section 1, by striking out, in line 6, the words "exact from," and inserting in place thereof the word "permit;" and by inserting, in the same line, after the word "employees," the words "to work." Mr. McEttrick moved that the amendment be amended by striking out the word "permit," and inserting in place thereof the word "require," and this amendment was rejected. The pending amendments moved by Mr. Merritt were then rejected.

The question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.	Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.
Carberry, William H.	McNary, William S.
Champlin, Arthur B.	Nichols, George K.
Coveney, John W.	Provin, William
Drury, John E.	Ray, William F.
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Thayer, John R.
Kimball, Henry A.	West, William H. — 14

NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.	Messrs. Mott, Edward
Butler, William M.	Parkman, Henry
Clark, Wilder P.	Raymond, Francis H.
Dame, Luther	Read, John (Middlesex)
Eaton, William N.	Simpkins, John
Hickox, Stephen A.	Smith, Sidney P.
Meade, William E.	Wyer, Edwin F. — 15.
Merritt, Christopher C.	

PAIRED.

YEAS.

NAYS.

Mr. Robert Howard (present),	Mr. B. Frank Southwick.
Mr. Richard A. Carter,	Mr. Edward P. Shaw (present).
Mr. James W. McDonald,	Mr. Isaac N. Nutter (present) — 6.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Fernald, B. Marvin	Messrs. Reade, John (Suffolk)
Gilman, Gorham D.	Stevens, Eben S. — 4.

So the bill was refused a third reading.

The bills

In relation to witnesses at hearings on questions concerning the nomination of State officers, and fixing the compensation of ballot law commissioners; and

**Bill.**

To authorize the towns of West Stockbridge, Richmond, Egremont, Sheffield and New Marlborough to receive aid from the State treasury for their schools;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Senate bill.**

The Senate Bill to authorize the town of Wenham to fund its debt and issue bonds or notes therefor, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Senate report.**

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing for a uniform system of accounts of cities, other than Boston, and for their supervision and examination by the Controller of County Accounts or by some other system of State supervision of said accounts; and for the expense of same, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

**House report.**

The House Report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring more complete returns of gas corporations doing business in this State, to the end that consumers and holders of stock may be adequately protected, was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, at five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.



THURSDAY, May 5, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, Tyngsborough, town of, — town meetings.  
that the House Bill to confirm the proceedings of certain meetings of the town of Tyngsborough, ought to pass ;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, Boston, city of, — highways.  
that the Bill relating to the assessment of damages caused by the laying out, altering, discontinuance and specific repairs of highways in the city of Boston (taken from the files of last year), ought to pass, in a new draft, entitled : “ An Act relating to the assessment of damages for the laying out or alteration of highways ; ” and

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on an order, a Bill relating to the term of office of the mayor of Boston, city of, — mayor of, term of office.  
the city of Boston ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Coveney, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order, a Resolve providing for an investigation by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners into the subject of placing electric wires under ground ; Electric wires, placing of, under ground.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the passage of an act authorizing the city council to take land for a city hall and yard (Messrs. McNary, of the Senate, and Rosnosky, of the House, dissenting) ; Boston, city of, — city hall.

Widening of  
streets or ways,  
purchase of  
land for.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to authorizing cities and towns to purchase land for the purpose of laying out and widening streets or ways within their limits ;

Cities, indebtedness of.

By Mr. McNary, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing cities to incur indebtedness beyond the limit of two and one-half per cent on the average valuation, as now prescribed by law, to an amount not exceeding five per cent. on such valuation ; and

Telephones,  
rentals of.

By Mr. Gilman, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing that some board or commission or boards or commissions of the Commonwealth shall have the power to regulate the character of the service and the price or prices of service of telephone companies doing business within the Commonwealth ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

### *Reconsideration.*

Railroad  
employees,  
hours of labor  
of.

On motion of Mr. Howard, the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the House Bill to regulate the hours of labor of railroad employees, was, by a vote of 12 to 9, reconsidered. The recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading was then determined as follows, to wit : —

### YEAS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Carberry, William H.  
Coveney, John W.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Stevens, Eben S. — 10

### NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Merritt, Christopher C.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank — 13

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

## NAYS.

Mr. George K. Nichols (present), Mr. Edward Mott.  
 Mr. William F. Ray (present), Mr. Stephen A. Hickox.  
 Mr. William Provin (present), Mr. Arthur B. Champlin.  
 Mr. William H. West (present), Mr. Isaac N. Nutter.  
 Mr. James W. McDonald (present), Mr. William E. Meade.  
 Mr. John R. Thayer, Mr. Francis H. Raymond (present). — 12.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A. Messrs. Eaton, William N.  
 Drury, John E. Wyer, Edwin F. — 4.

So the bill was refused a third reading.

*Committee of Conference.*

The President appointed Messrs. Butler, Simpkins and McDonald, the committee of conference, on the part of the Senate, on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with regard to the House amendment to the Senate Bill relating to the equity docket of the Superior Court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex.

Suffolk and  
Middlesex,  
counties of, —  
equity docket  
of the Superior  
Court.

Sent down for concurrence in the appointment of the committee of conference.

*Petition.*

Mr. Smith presented a petition of John H. Lee, acting mayor of the city of Boston, that said city may be authorized to protect and preserve the purity of the waters of Sudbury River by widening, deepening and straightening the channel of said river and its tributaries in the towns of Westborough and Hopkinton; by making new channels for said river and its tributaries; and by constructing ditches in said towns; and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

Boston, city of,  
— water supply.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities be granted until Friday, May 13, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Cities, com-  
mittee on.

On motion of Mr. Smith,—

Election Laws,  
committee on.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws be granted until Friday, May 13, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

William H.  
Robison.

A Resolve in favor of William H. Robison (on the petition of George H. B. Green), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

#### Bills

Washington  
Mills Company.

Authorizing the Washington Mills Company to increase its capital stock and redeem its preferred stock (on the petition of the same); and

Protestant  
German  
Evangelical  
Parish in Pitts-  
field.

To change the name of the Protestant German Evangelical Parish in Pittsfield (on the petition of R. E. Burbank); and

Electric cars.

A Resolve relative to appliances for deadening the noise of electric cars (on an order);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Marriages,  
record and  
return of.

The Senate Bill relating to the record and return of marriages, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out section 2. On motion of Mr. Parkman, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended and the amendment was forthwith considered and adopted, in concurrence.

State Normal  
School at  
Westfield.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a Resolve in favor of the State Normal School in Westfield (introduced on leave in the House); and the resolve was returned to the House for its action.

#### *Bills and Resolves Laid Before the Governor.*

The following engrossed bills which were, yesterday, passed to be enacted, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:—

Enacted bills  
laid before the  
Governor.

Providing for the collection of water rates by the city of Lynn;

To give greater powers to cities and towns in relation to the construction of sewers;

To provide for operating the Charles River Valley system of sewerage ;

To authorize the grading and classifying of prisoners in the State Prison ;

Relative to the blasting of rocks in the city of Boston ;

To prevent the acquisition of rights of way across railroads by prescription ;

To authorize the managers of the Boston Seamen's Friend Society to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To authorize the city of Brockton to incur indebtedness for sewerage purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ;

To authorize the widening of Walter street in the city of Boston, and the taking of a part of a private burial ground therefor ;

To increase the number of associate justices of the Superior Court ;

Authorizing the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners to sell certain property taken or purchased for sewerage purposes ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect a truant school ;

To authorize the town of Newbury to construct and maintain a wharf at the public landing of said town on the River Parker ;

Making the record of instruments affecting the title to land conclusive evidence of delivery ;

Requiring certain returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ;

To provide for re-recording certain records ;

Relating to the payment for labor performed on buildings or public works owned by cities or towns ;

To authorize Horace S. Crowell to build causeways or bridges in the town of Falmouth ;

Placing restrictions upon the erection of electric light wires ;

To provide for the appointment of a woman as assistant probation officer in the municipal court of the city of Boston ;

To authorize the Essex Electric Street Railway Company to lease its railway franchises and other property to the Naumkeag Street Railway Company ;

To prohibit the sale of trout less than six inches in length ;

To authorize the city of Quincy and the towns of Weymouth and Hingham to grant locations to street railway corporations over Weymouth Fore River and Weymouth Back River ;

Enacted bills  
laid before the  
Governor.

Relating to the returns to be made to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ;

Requiring the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give a bond and report annually the transactions of his office ;

To authorize the town of Needham to make an additional water loan ;

Relating to special justices of inferior courts ;

Authorizing the furnishing of one hundred dollars' worth of books to the free libraries of certain towns whose valuation does not exceed \$600,000 ;

Requiring street railway companies to contribute to the expense of printing their reports ;

To authorize the Bridgewater Water Company to issue a new series of bonds ;

Relating to the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service ;

To provide for voting for electors of President and Vice-President of the United States ;

To establish the salary of the second clerk in the office of the chief of the district police ;

In relation to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquor in towns which are summer resorts ;

To establish the salary of the first clerk in the office of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ;

To incorporate the Millis Water Company ;

To establish the salary of the Commissioner of State Aid appointed by the Governor and Council ; and

In relation to procedure upon writ of error or similar proceedings in criminal cases.

The following engrossed resolves, which were, yesterday, passed, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Resolves laid  
before the  
Governor.

In favor of George O. Bent ;

Relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the World's Columbian Exposition ;

Relative to furnishing the new armory at Lawrence ;

Providing for repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls ;

To provide for the publication of a new edition of the course of studies for ungraded schools ; a new edition of the school laws, and the purchase of educational books for the normal schools ;

To provide for repairs at the State Prison ; and  
Relative to indexing the names of soldiers of the War  
of the Rebellion in the office of the Adjutant-General.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the pilot commissioners ; and the order relative to amending chapter 70 of the Public Statutes, relating to the pilot commissioners for the harbor of Boston, so as to remove from the Boston Marine Society the nomination of said commissioners, and place the appointment of the same in some other authority, or of abolishing the present commission and establishing a new one ; and also providing for the compensation and duties of said commissioners, — was considered. Mr. Butler moved that the report be amended by the substitution of a “ Bill relating to pilots and pilotage for the harbor of Boston,” and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 5 to 19. The report was then accepted.

Pilot Commissioners for Boston Harbor.

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Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to increased executive responsibility, was considered. Mr. McEttrick moved that the report be amended by the substitution of a “ Bill in relation to the removal from office of certain administrative and executive officers,” and this amendment was rejected. The report was then accepted.

Executive responsibility.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the superintendent of prisons ; and so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of

General superintendent of prisons.

changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the superintendent of prisons, — was considered. Mr. McEttrick moved that the report be amended by the substitution of a “Bill to abolish the office of general superintendent of prisons,” and this amendment was rejected. The report was then accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

State commis-  
sions.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the following subjects: Inspection of Fish and other articles; Tables and Indexes relating to the Statutes; Commissioners of Shipwrecked Goods; State Board of Lunacy and Charity; Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations; Commissioners of Public Works; Trustees of Public Institutions; and Trustees of State Primary and Reform Schools, — was considered, and, on motion of Mr. Butler, was laid on the table.

Bills.

The bills

To authorize the Lexington Water Company to improve and increase its water supply; and

In addition to an act making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year, and for other expenses authorized by law; and

Resolve.

The Resolve providing for the payment of expenses in connection with the disappearance and funeral of the late Stillman W. Edgell;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

World's  
Columbian  
Exposition at  
Chicago.

The Senate Resolve relative to the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago, was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Shaw, by a vote of 7 to 6 (a quorum being present), the resolve was amended by inserting, in line 19, after the word “House,” the words “the clerk of the Executive Council.” The resolve, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Harry W.  
Welch.

The House Resolve in favor of Harry W. Welch, was considered, the question being on the rejection thereof, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury. The



Senate refused to reject the resolve and it was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Senate Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea Bridge, was read a third time; and, Chelsea Bridge, grade crossings. pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was, on motion of Mr. Fernald, laid on the table.

The Senate Bill in relation to witnesses at hearings on Senate bill. questions concerning the nomination of State officers, and fixing the compensation of ballot law commissioners, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to authorize the towns of West Stock- House bill. bridge, Richmond, Egremont, Sheffield and New Marlborough to receive aid from the State treasury for their schools, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Senate report. Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the power of removal and appointment, was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, at half past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, May 6, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

Elections,  
corrupt prac-  
tices in.

By Mr. Smith, from the committee on Election Laws, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the subject (in part), a Bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and to provide for publicity of election expenses ;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Red Men's  
Building  
Association.

By Mr. Gilman, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of Charles H. Litchman and others, a Bill to incorporate the Red Men's Building Association ;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

*Taken from the Table.*

Street railway  
employees,  
hours of labor  
of.

On motion of Mr. Champlin, the House Bill constituting ten hours in twelve consecutive hours a day's work for all conductors, drivers and motor men employed by or on behalf of any street railway company in any city or town, was taken from the table ; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until Tuesday, May 10, to be placed second in the Orders of the Day.

*Remonstrance.*

Boston and  
Providence  
Railroad Com-  
pany, — termi-  
nal station.

Mr. Howard presented a remonstrance of John W. Coughlin and others against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park Square, and the same was referred to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on State House be granted State House,  
committee on. until Friday, May 13, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Resolve to provide additional cell-room at the Massa- Massachusetts  
Reformatory, —  
cell-room. chusetts Reformatory (on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

## Bills

To provide a penalty for intimidating laborers (on an Laborers,  
penalty for  
intimidating. order);

Relating to the age of persons sentenced to the Massa- Massachusetts  
Reformatory. chusetts Reformatory (on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part);

Relating to sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory is. (on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part);

To incorporate the Methuen Water Company (on the Methuen Water  
Company. petition of C. H. Tenney and others);

To incorporate the Onset Water Company of Ware- Onset Water  
Company of  
Wareham. ham (on the petition of Joseph K. Nye and others); and

To incorporate the Willimansett Water Company (on Willimansett  
Water Com-  
pany. the petition of C. L. Goodhue);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

## Reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the Boston, city of,  
— sidewalks. petition of the chairman of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for legislation enabling said city to construct sidewalks of a uniform pattern;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Lands taken by  
right of eminent  
domain. Court, on the order relative to providing that all lands hereafter taken by a city or town under the right of eminent domain be taken by the board or officer authorized to take land for laying out streets; that all such lands shall be taken in fee; and that the purposes for which such lands may be taken may be more clearly defined; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw :  
 Quincy Water Company. On the petition of the Quincy Water Company for authority to increase its capital stock ; and

Id.

On the petition of the Quincy Water Company for authority to take land to prevent the pollution of its water ;  
 Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

Quincy and  
 Boston Street  
 Railway Com-  
 pany.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to locate its tracks in the towns of Weymouth, Braintree and Milton, and in a certain portion of the city of Boston, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, striking out section 2 ; striking out, in section 5, line 3, the word " Braintree ; " striking out, in section 7, line 1, the word " two ; " and striking out, in the title, the word " Brain-tree."

Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendments, they were, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

#### *House Remonstrances.*

The following House remonstrances were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Boston and  
 Providence  
 Railroad Com-  
 pany, — termi-  
 nal station.

Remonstrances of John W. Rogers and others ; and Stephen M. Weld and others, — severally, against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park Square ;

Severally to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

#### *Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit : —

Bills enacted  
 and laid before  
 the Governor.

In relation to the issue of bonds for furnishing the court house for the county of Suffolk ;

To authorize the city of Boston to procure and prepare for public use one or more open spaces in said city ;

In relation to the filing for record of claims against real estate ;

To require city and town clerks to notify the Commissioners of Prisons of the appointment of certain police officers ;

To establish the salary of the assistant State Librarian and clerk of the Board of Education ;

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Belchertown ;

To confirm certain proceedings of the town of Goshen ;  
Relative to the duties of the superintendent of schools of the city of Marlborough ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Plymouth ;

To establish the salary of the associate medical examiner for the county of Suffolk ;

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Williamsburg ; and

To establish the salary of the treasurer of the county of Norfolk.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed, and, with the above-named bills, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

In favor of John A. Floyd ;

Providing for the construction of fire-escapes at the State Primary School at Monson ; and

In favor of Christie A. Fisk.

Resolves  
passed, etc.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill relating to the term of office of the mayor of the city of Boston, was read a second time. Mr. Fernald moved that the bill be amended, in section 1, by striking out, in line 1, the words "mayor of the city of Boston," and inserting in place thereof the words "mayors of all cities of the Commonwealth ;" and by striking out, in line 2, the word "mayor," and inserting in place thereof the word "mayors."

Boston, city of,  
— term of office  
of mayor.

Mr. Coveney rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that the pending amendments were beyond the scope of the order on which the bill was based.

Point of order.

The President ruled that the amendments, if adopted, would make the bill general in its application ; that such a change was permissible under Senate Rule No. 16, which provides, in effect, that when the object of an application can, without detriment to the public interest, be secured

Ruling by  
President.

by a general law, such general law shall be preferred to a special act; and that the point of order was, therefore, not well taken.

The amendments were adopted; and the question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 13.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McEttrick, Michael J.

Messrs. Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Thayer, John R. — 9.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert  
Kimball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.

Messrs. McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Stevens, Eben S. — 17.

So the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, Mr. Butler moved that the vote by which the bill was ordered to a third reading, be reconsidered, and, there being no objection, this motion was forthwith considered, under a suspension of Senate Rule No. 51, moved by the same Senator. On further motion of Mr. Butler, the further consideration of the motion to reconsider was postponed until Wednesday, May 11, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

Harry W.  
Welch.

The Resolve in favor of Harry W. Welch, was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Clark, postponed until Monday next.

**The bills**

Relating to the assessment of damages for the laying Bills.  
out or alteration of highways ;

Authorizing the Washington Mills Company to increase  
its capital stock and redeem its preferred stock ;

To confirm the proceedings of certain meetings of the  
town of Tyngsborough ; and

To change the name of the Protestant German Evangel-  
ical Parish in Pittsfield ; and

The Resolve relative to appliances for deadening the Resolve.  
noise of electric cars ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a  
third reading.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Lexington Water Com- Senate bill.  
pany to improve and increase its water supply ; and

The Senate Resolve providing for the payment of ex- Senate resolve.  
penses in connection with the disappearance and funeral  
of the late Stillman W. Edgell ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be en-  
grossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Resolve relative to the World's Columbian World's  
Exposition at Chicago, was read a third time, as Columbian  
previously amended. Exposition at  
Chicago.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, the resolve was amended in  
line 19, by inserting after the word " House," the word  
" and ;" and by striking out, in lines 20 and 21, the words  
" and one representative of each daily paper of the city  
of Boston."

On motion of Mr. Eaton, the resolve was further  
amended by striking out, in line 16, the word " seven,"  
and inserting in place thereof the word " nine ;" and by  
striking out, in line 17, the word " eighteen," and insert-  
ing in place thereof the word " twenty-two."

Mr. Southwick moved that the resolve be further  
amended by striking out the words " the clerk of the  
Executive Council" (inserted, by amendment, yesterday,  
after the word " House," in line 19), and this motion was  
lost.

Mr. Fernald moved that the resolve be further amended,  
in line 19, by inserting before the words " of the Senate,"  
the words " and the assistant clerk," and by inserting  
before the words " of the House," the words " and the

assistant clerk," and these amendments were adopted by a vote of 13 to 5 (a quorum being present). The resolve, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence, Senate Rule No. 8 being suspended, on motion of Mr. Southwick.

**Appropriations.** The House Bill in addition to an act making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year, and for other expenses authorized by law, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**Boston, city of,  
— city hall.**

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the passage of an act authorizing the city council to take land for a city hall and yard, was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, postponed until Friday, May 13.

**Senate reports.**

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to authorizing cities and towns to purchase land for the purpose of laying out and widening streets or ways within their limits;

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing cities to incur indebtedness beyond the limit of two and one-half per cent. on the average valuation, as now prescribed by law, to an amount not exceeding five per cent. on such valuation; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing that some board or commission or boards or commissions of the Commonwealth shall have the power to regulate the character of the service and the price or prices of service of telephone companies doing business within the Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Drury, at eight minutes before one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.



MONDAY, May 9, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the chaplain.

*Report of a Committee.*

By Mr. Stevens, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Bill providing for the inspection of steam boilers, and the licensing of persons in charge of steam engines, and to provide for the better protection of life and property from accidents caused by unskillful and careless management of steam apparatus, ought NOT to pass ;

Steam boilers,  
inspection of,  
etc.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

*Remonstrance.*

Mr. Butler presented a remonstrance of Isaac B. Tompkins, Jr., and others against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park Square ; and the same was referred to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Boston and  
Providence  
Railroad Com-  
pany, — termi-  
nal station.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. West, —

*Ordered,* That when the Senate adjourns to-day, it adjourn to meet to-morrow at 2.30 o'clock P.M.

Hour of  
meeting.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to repeal chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled : “ An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions ” (on an order and a petition relating to the subject) (Messrs. McDonald, Fernald and Smith, of the Senate, and L. M. Clark, of the House, dissenting), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Collateral  
legacies and  
successions,  
abolition of  
tax on.

Public reservations, — province lands on Cape Cod.

A Report of the joint special committee on Public Reservations, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of the Trustees of Public Reservations and others for legislation for the preservation of the province lands at the extremity of Cape Cod, came up, recommitted, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule. The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the rule.

#### *House Remonstrance.*

Boston and Providence Railroad Company, — terminal station.

A remonstrance of Austin Messenger and others against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park Square, was referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

#### *House Order.*

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Water Supply, committee on.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Water Supply be granted until Friday, May 13, in which to report upon matters now before them.

#### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

City governments, establishment of.

The Senate Bill to provide for the establishment of city governments, was considered ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McEttrick, postponed until Wednesday next.

Harry W. Welch.

The Resolve in favor of Harry W. Welch, was considered ; and, pending the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Clark, postponed until Thursday next.

Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company.

The Senate concurred in the adoption of the House amendments to the Senate Bill to authorize the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to locate its tracks in the towns of Weymouth, Braintree and Milton and in a certain portion of the city of Boston, — striking out section 2 ; striking out, in section 5, line 3, the word

“ Braintree ;” striking out, in section 7, line 1, the word “ two ;” and striking out, in the title, the word “ Brain-tree.”

The Bill to provide a penalty for intimidating laborers, Bill. was read a second time, and, by a vote 13 to 10, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to the age of persons sentenced to the 14. Massachusetts Reformatory, was read a second time, and, by a vote of 13 to 10, was ordered to a third reading.

**The bills**

To incorporate the Red Men’s Building Association ; Bills.

Relating to sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

To incorporate the Onset Water Company of Wareham ;

To incorporate the Methuen Water Company ; and

To incorporate the Willimansett Water Company ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relating to the assessment of damages Senate bill. for the laying out or alteration of highways, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**The House bills**

Authorizing the Washington Mills Company to increase House bills. its capital stock and redeem its preferred stock ;

To confirm the proceedings of certain town meetings of the town of Tyngsborough (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

To change the name of the Protestant German Evangelical Parish in Pittsfield ; and

The House Resolve relative to appliances for deadening House resolve. the noise of electric cars ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**The House reports**

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the House reports. petition of the chairman of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for legislation enabling said city to construct sidewalks of a uniform pattern ;

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing that all

lands hereafter taken by a city or town under the right of eminent domain be taken by the board or officer authorized to take land for laying out streets ; that all such lands shall be taken in fee ; and that the purposes for which such lands may be taken may be more clearly defined ;

House reports.

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Quincy Water Company for authority to increase its capital stock ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Quincy Water Company for authority to take land to prevent the pollution of its water ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Champlin, at ten minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at half-past two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, May 10, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Dr. Strong of Newton.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill to establish a commission to improve the highways of this Commonwealth, ought to pass, amended by inserting, in section 1, line 4, after the word "engineer," the words "whose terms of office shall expire on the first Wednesday of February in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three;" and by adding at the end of section 3 the words "provided the whole amount expended under the provisions of this act shall not exceed ten thousand dollars;"

Highways,  
improvement of.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Resolve to provide additional cell room at the Massachusetts Reformatory, ought to pass; and

Massachusetts  
Reformatory,  
— cell room.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the House Bill relating to the settlement of differences between employers and their employees, ought to pass;

Employers and  
employees, set-  
tlement of  
differences be-  
tween.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the officers, sailors and marines who served in the United States Navy during the war of the rebellion and were residents of this Commonwealth at the time of their enlistment, ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title; and

Massachusetts  
sailors and  
marines.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Election Laws, on sundry orders and petitions relating to the subject, a Bill relating to the registration of voters (Messrs.

Voters, regis-  
tration of.

McEttrick, of the Senate, and Merritt, Rivers, Hart and Healy, of the House, dissenting from certain portions thereof) ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Motion to Reconsider.*

Public reservations, — province lands on Cape Cod.

Mr. Simpkins moved that the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, non-concurred in the suspension of the 5th joint rule on the House Report of the joint special committee on Public Reservations, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of the Trustees of Public Reservations and others for legislation for the preservation of the province lands at the extremity of Cape Cod (the same having been recommitted by the House under a suspension of said rule), — be reconsidered ; and the further consideration of this motion was, on motion of Mr. Butler, postponed until to-morrow.

*Taken from the Table.*

Gas and electric light companies, consolidation of.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick, the Senate Report of the committee on Manufactures, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to the consolidation or union of corporations chartered or authorized to supply gas or electricity, or both, for light, heat or power, and in relation to the sale and transfer of the property and franchises of such corporations, — was taken from the table. There being no objection, the pending amendment, moved by the same Senator, was withdrawn by him. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. McEttrick further moved that it be amended by the substitution of a “ Resolve providing for an inquiry by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners into the nature and extent of the business relations between certain gas companies.” Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same Senator, laid on the table.

*Remonstrance.*

Boston and Providence Railroad Company, — terminal station.

Mr. Mott presented a remonstrance of Francis S. Babbitt and others against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad

at any other place in Boston than Park Square; and the same was referred to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

##### Bills

For the protection of the water supply of the city of Haverhill (on the petition of Warren Hoyt); and

Concerning the city registrar of the city of Boston (being a new draft of the Senate Bill concerning the registrar of the city of Boston);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

##### Reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary:

On the annual report of the Attorney-General; and

On so much of the Governor's address as relates to an amendment of the Employers' Liability Act; to the passage of general instead of special law; to the granting of free passes to members of the Legislature; and to a change in the system of land transfer;

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court:

On the order relative to increasing the term of office of members of the common council of the city of Boston by providing that at the next municipal election, one member from each ward shall be elected for three years, one for two years, and one for one year; and every year thereafter, one member for three years;

On the order relative to amending the charter of the city of Boston so as to provide for one alderman from each ward; and

On the order relative to providing for the substitution of a single legislative body for the board of aldermen and common council of the city of Boston, as now established by law; such single legislative body to be elected for a term of two or more years, a part only thereof to be elected each year; and providing for minority representation in voting for the members of said body;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing for the election of twelve aldermen in the city of Boston by a general vote; and

Haverhill, city of, — water supply.  
Boston, city of, — registrar.

Attorney-General, report of.  
Employers' liability, — general laws, — free passes, — land transfer.

Boston, city of, — term of office of common councilmen.

Boston, city of, — election of aldermen.

Boston, city of, — single legislative body.

Boston, city of, — election of aldermen.

Boston, city of,  
— leave of  
absence for  
members of the  
fire department.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joseph J. Casey for legislation granting to permanent members of the fire department in the city of Boston the right to three days' leave of absence without loss of pay in case of death in their families;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

#### *House Remonstrance.*

Boston and  
Providence  
Railroad Com-  
pany, — termi-  
nal station.

A remonstrance of Frederick S. Hall and others against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park Square, was referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

#### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Infants, board-  
ing-houses for.

The Bill to provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding-houses for infants, was considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

There being no objection, the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Coveney, was withdrawn by him.

On motion of Mr. McNary, the bill was amended as follows:—

In section 3, line 6, by inserting after the word "place," the words "except the city of Boston;" in the same section, line 9, by inserting after the word "towns," the words "except the city of Boston;" by adding at the end of section 7, the words "*provided, however,* that any person receiving such an infant from the overseers of the poor of any city or town, or from the commissioners of public institutions of the city of Boston, or from any charitable institution incorporated by law within this Commonwealth, shall be required to report in such notice to said State board only the name and age of such infant and the name and location of the board or institution from which such infant is received;" in section 9, line 4, by inserting after the word "shall," the words "upon complaint of a duly authorized agent of the said State board;" in section 16, line 3, by striking out the word "is," and inserting in place thereof the words "and so much of section three of chapter two hundred and seventy of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-two as requires a person



receiving an illegitimate infant under the age of one year to board, to notify the overseers of the poor of the city or town in which he resides of the facts of such reception, are;" and by adding at the end of the bill the following new section: "*Sect. 17.* This act shall take effect on the first day of June in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two."

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill constituting ten hours in twelve consecutive hours a day's work for all conductors, drivers and motor men employed by or on behalf of any street railway company in any city or town, was considered, and the question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

Street railway  
employees,  
hours of labor  
of.

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Carberry, William H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Nichols, George K.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Thayer, John R. — 14.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Eaton, William N.  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Meade, William E.  
Merritt, Christopher C.

Messrs. Mott, Edward  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 18.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. Richard A. Carter (present),  
Mr. William H. West (present),

## NAYS.

Mr. B. Frank Southwick.  
Mr. Isaac N. Nutter. — 4.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Drury, John E.  
Kimball, Henry A.

Mr. Parkman, Henry — 3.

So the bill was refused a third reading.

The Senate Bill to incorporate the Red Men's Building Association, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

**The House bills****House bills.**

Relating to the age of persons sentenced to the **Massachusetts Reformatory** ;

Relating to sentences to the **Massachusetts Reformatory** ;  
To incorporate the **Onset Water Company** (**its title** having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To incorporate the **Methuen Water Company** ; and

To incorporate the **Willimansett Water Company** ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**Collateral  
legacies and  
successions,  
repeal of tax on.**

The Bill to repeal chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled : " An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions," was read a second time ; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McDonald, postponed until Tuesday, May 17.

On motion of Mr. McNary, at twelve minutes before six o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, May 11, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of a Committee.*

By Mr. Smith, from the committee on Election Laws, Voters, qualification of.  
 inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to making  
 assessment of a tax within two years a qualification and  
 prerequisite for registration and voting ;

By the same Senator, from the same committee, Election laws,  
— vacant  
spaces on  
ballots.  
 inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending the  
 law so that there shall be no vacant spaces left upon bal-  
 lots except those used for marking purposes ;

By Mr. Parkman, from the same committee, leave to State election  
day, — legal  
holiday.  
 withdraw, on the petition of P. O. Larkin and others that  
 the day on which the State election is held be made a legal  
 holiday (Messrs. McEttrick, of the Senate, and Rivers,  
 Hart and Merritt, of the House, dissenting) ; and

By Mr. McEttrick, from the same committee, Election offi-  
cers, compensa-  
tion of.  
 inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to fixing the com-  
 pensation of election officers and tellers at elections ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for  
 to-morrow.

*Committee Discharged.*

Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, Assistant clerk  
of South Boston  
municipal  
court, salary of.  
 reported, asking to be discharged from the further con-  
 sideration of the House Bill to establish the salary of the  
 assistant clerk of the municipal court of the South Boston  
 District, and recommending that the same be referred to  
 the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial  
 System of the Commonwealth ;

Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence in the reference.

*Introduced on Leave.*

Mr. Gilman (on leave, under a suspension of the 12th Governor  
William Eustis,  
burial lot of.  
 joint rule), introduced a Resolve providing for altering

and improving the burial lot of Governor William Eustis in the town of Lexington; and the same was referred to the committee on Expenditures.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Taken from the Table.*

Chelsea Bridge,  
grade crossings  
on.

On motion of Mr. Champlin, the Senate Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea Bridge, was taken from the table. The same Senator further moved that the bill be amended by the substitution of a new draft, with the same title. Pending this amendment, and pending the main question, on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Champlin, postponed until to-morrow.

*Motion to Reconsider.*

Street railway  
employees,  
hours of labor  
of.

Mr. McNary moved that the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the House Bill constituting ten hours in twelve consecutive hours a day's work for all conductors, drivers and motor men employed by or on behalf of any street railway company in any city or town, — be reconsidered; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Carberry, William H  
Carter, Richard A.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McDonald, James W.

Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Nichols, George K.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Thayer, John R. — 14.

NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Eaton, William N.  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
Meade, William E.

Messrs. Mott, Edward  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 22.

## PAIRED.

YEA.

NAY.

Mr. William H. West (present),

Mr. Eben S. Stevens. — 2.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. John E. Drury. — 1.

So the motion to reconsider was lost.

*Petition.*

Mr. Nutter presented a petition of Isaac N. Nutter that the Commonwealth relinquish to the town of Bridgewater the right of way over such land of the State Normal School in Bridgewater as may be needed for the construction of a town way or highway in said town; and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Education.

Bridgewater,  
town of, —  
right of way  
across land of  
State Normal  
School.

Sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Reports

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing for an increase in the number of aldermen in the city of Boston to eighteen members, and for the election of twelve aldermen by districts and six aldermen-at-large by a general vote;

Boston, city of,  
— election of  
aldermen.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. J. Bailey for legislation authorizing the commissioners on the State House to lay out a street at easy grade from the corner of Park and Tremont streets to Cambridge Street; and

Boston, city of,  
— street from  
Park and Tremont  
streets to  
Cambridge  
Street.

Of the committee on Woman Suffrage, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of Julia Ward Howe and others that women may be enabled to vote for presidential electors;

Elections, —  
woman suffrage.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

A House Resolution against the monopoly of mining and transporting anthracite coal, was read, and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Coal monopoly.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 5th joint rule on a House Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations (on sundry orders, bills introduced on leave and petitions) in order that the same might be recommended by the House to the committee on Insurance.

Fraternal  
beneficiary  
organizations.

*Bills Enacted.*

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

To authorize the town of Clinton to increase its water supply and to incur indebtedness therefor ;

To incorporate the Konkapot Valley Railroad Company ;  
and

Relating to the manufacture and sale of clothing in unhealthy places.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Boston, city of,  
— term of office  
of mayor.

The motion that the Senate reconsider the vote by which it ordered to a third reading the Senate Bill relating to the term of office of the mayor of the city of Boston, as amended, was considered ; and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit : —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Howard, Robert  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Provin, William  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Thayer, John R. — 17.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Eaton, William H.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Parkman, Henry  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 16

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Drury, John E.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Stevens, Eben S. — 6

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

Pending the recurring question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, Mr. McNary moved that it be further amended by striking out section 2, and inserting in place thereof the following new section, to wit: "*Sect. 2.* This act shall take effect in any city on the first day of July in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three provided that it has been previously accepted by the legal voters of a city at the municipal election held in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two; and the authorities of each city in the Commonwealth shall submit the question of its adoption to the voters of their respective cities at the municipal election held in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two." Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill, as previously amended, to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, postponed until Monday, May 16.

The motion that the Senate reconsider the vote by which it non-concurred with the House in the suspension of the 5th joint rule, on the report of the joint special committee on Public Reservations, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of the Trustees of Public Reservations and others for legislation for the preservation of the province lands at the extremity of Cape Cod, — prevailed, by a vote of 11 to 7 (a quorum being present). On the recurring question, the rule was suspended, in concurrence.

Public reservations, — province lands on Cape Cod.

The Bill to provide for the establishment of city governments, was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McEttrick, postponed until Monday, May 16.

City governments, establishment of.

#### The bills

Relative to the settlement of differences between employers and their employees; Bills.

For the protection of the water supply of the city of Haverhill; and

Concerning the city registrar of the city of Boston; and

#### The resolves

In favor of the officers, sailors and marines who served in the United States Navy during the war of the rebellion and were residents of this Commonwealth at the time of their enlistment; and Resolve.

**Resolve.**

To provide additional cell-room at the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**The House reports****House reports.**

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the amendment of the Employers' Liability Act ; to the passage of general instead of a special law ; to the granting of free passes to members of the Legislature ; and to a change in the system of land transfer ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Attorney-General ;

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to increasing the term of office of members of the common council of the city of Boston by providing that at the next municipal election one member from each ward shall be elected for three years, one for two years, and one for one year ; and every year thereafter one member for three years ;

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to amending the charter of the city of Boston so as to provide for one alderman from each ward ;

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing for the substitution of a single legislative body for the board of aldermen and common council of the city of Boston, as now established by law ; such single legislative body to be elected for a term of two or more years, a part only thereof to be elected each year ; and providing for minority representation in voting for the members of said body ;

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing for the election of twelve aldermen in the city of Boston by a general vote ; and

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joseph J. Casey for legislation granting to permanent members of the fire department in the city of Boston the right to three days' leave of absence without loss of pay in case of death in their families ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick, at seven minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.



THURSDAY, May 12, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Smith in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Committee Discharged.*

Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the House Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Newton, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth; and

Clerk of police  
court of  
Newton,  
salary of.

The same Senator, from the same committee, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the House Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth;

Clerk of fourth  
district court of  
Eastern Middle-  
sex, salary of.

Severally read and accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence in the reference.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities be granted until Friday, May 20, in which to report upon matters now before them.

Cities, com-  
mittee on.

Sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

*House Petitions.*

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Conway that the proceedings of the annual town meeting of said town may be legalized; and the same was returned to the House for its action.

Conway, town  
of, — town  
meeting.

The following House petition was referred, in concurrence : —

Quincy, city of,  
— board of  
water commis-  
sioners.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Quincy that said city may be authorized to appoint a board of water commissioners, and for legislation relative to the purchase of the franchise and property of the Quincy Water Company ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

### *House Order.*

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Constitutional  
amendment, —  
property qual-  
ification for the  
office of  
Governor.

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on Constitutional Amendments report such legislation as is necessary to provide for the submission to the people of the amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor, the same having been agreed to by the last and present General Courts.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Chelsea Bridge,  
grade crossings  
on.

The Senate Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea Bridge, was considered, the main question being on passing the same to be engrossed. On motion of Mr. Champlin, the new draft, moved by him as a substitute, was amended, by adding at the end of section 2 the following words : “ and, if it shall decide that said grade crossing shall be abolished by carrying the highway over the railroad location, shall discontinue so much of the existing highway as is now occupied by said bridge.” The bill was then amended by the substitution of the amended new draft, and was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Harry W.  
Welch.

The Resolve in favor of Harry W. Welch, was considered ; and, pending the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Clark, postponed until Tuesday, May 17.

Steam boilers,  
etc., inspection  
of.

The Senate Bill providing for the inspection of steam boilers, and the licensing of persons in charge of steam engines, and to provide for the better protection of life

and property from accidents caused by unskilful and careless management of steam apparatus, was considered ; and, pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Clark, postponed until Tuesday, May 17.

The House Bill to provide a penalty for intimidating laborers, was read a third time ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Ray, postponed until Tuesday, May 17.

Laborers,  
penalty for  
intimidation of.

The Senate Resolve relating to the burdens of pauperism and crime imposed on the State by immigrants and others, was read a third time. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the resolve be amended by the substitution of a "Resolve providing for the investigation of the burdens imposed on this Commonwealth by the immigration of paupers and criminals," and "Resolutions relating to the immigration of paupers, criminals and dependent persons."

Pauperism and  
crime, burdens  
of, imposed on  
the State by  
immigrants and  
others.

The report of the committee was accepted and the resolve and the resolutions were substituted. The former was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading. The latter were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question being on the adoption thereof.

The House Bill to provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding-houses for infants, was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be further amended, by striking out, in section 8, line 9 (as printed), the word "judge," and inserting in place thereof the word "justice ;" by inserting, in the same section, line 10, after the word "Superior," the words " police, district or municipal courts ;" by inserting, in the same line, before the word " of," the words " to the judge ;" by striking out, in the same line, the words " or district ;" by inserting, in the same section, line 13, before the word " judge," the words " justice or ;" by inserting, in the same section, line 15, before the word " judge," the words " justice or ;" and by

Infants, board-  
ing-houses for.

inserting, in section 9, line 4, before the word "judge," the words "justice or." These amendments were adopted and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Voters, registration of.

The Senate Bill relating to the registration of voters, was read a second time. Mr. McEttrick moved that the bill be amended by striking out sections 7 and 8; by inserting, in section 10, line 10, before the word "assistant," the word "and;" by striking out, in the same section, lines 10 and 11, the words "and collector;" and by striking out section 43; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Provin, William  
Thayer, John R. — 10.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank. — 14.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. William H. Carberry (present),  
Mr. John Reade (Suffolk) (present),  
Mr. James W. McDonald,  
Mr. Henry A. Kimball (present),

## NAYS.

Mr. Francis H. Raymond.  
Mr. William H. West.  
Mr. B. Marvin Fernald (present).  
Mr. Gorham D. Gilman. — 8.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Nutter, Isaac N.

Messrs. Read, John (Middlesex)  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 7.

So the amendments were rejected.

Mr. Thayer moved that the bill be amended by striking out, in section 14, lines 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, the words "which is also on the list of persons who have paid a State or county tax assessed upon such persons for the

preceding year, as transmitted to them by the collectors," and inserting in place thereof the words " which was on the voting list in the same precinct at the last preceding election ;" and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Provin, William  
Thayer, John R. — 10.

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank — 14.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

NAYS.

Mr. William H. Carberry (present), Mr. Francis H. Raymond.  
Mr. John Reade (Suffolk) (present), Mr. William H. West.  
Mr. Henry A. Kimball (present), Mr. Gorham D. Gilman.  
Mr. James W. McDonald, Mr. B. Marvin Fernald (present).— 8.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Nutter, Isaac N.

Messrs. Read, John (Middlesex)  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 7.

So the amendment was rejected.

The question on ordering the bill to a third reading was then determined as follows, to wit :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank. — 14.

NAYS.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Provin, William  
Thayer, John R. — 10.

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## PAIRED.

YEAS.	NAYS.
Mr. Francis H. Raymond,	Mr. William H. Carberry (present).
Mr. William H. West,	Mr. John Reade (Suffolk) (present).
Mr. Gorham D. Gilman,	Mr. Henry A. Kimball (present).
Mr. B. Marvin Fernald (present),	Mr. James W. McDonald. — 8.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.	Messrs. Read, John (Middlesex)
Hickox, Stephen A.	Stevens, Eben S.
Merritt, Christopher C.	Wyer, Edwin F. — 7.
Nutter, Isaac N.	

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

## Senate resolve.

The Senate Resolve in favor of the officers, sailors and marines who served in the United States Navy during the war of the rebellion and were residents of this Commonwealth at the time of their enlistment, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

## House bills.

The House bills

For the protection of the water supply of the city of Haverhill; and

Concerning the city registrar of the city of Boston; and

## House resolve.

The House Resolve to provide additional cell-room at the Massachusetts Reformatory;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

## Senate reports.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending the law so that there shall be no vacant spaces left upon ballots except those used for marking purposes; and

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to fixing the compensation of election officers and tellers at elections;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

## House reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. J. Bailey for legislation authorizing the commissioners on the State House to lay out a street at

easy grade from the corner of Park and Tremont streets to Cambridge street ;

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing for an increase in the number of aldermen in the city of Boston to eighteen members, and for the election of twelve aldermen by districts and six aldermen-at-large by the general vote ; and

Of the committee on Woman Suffrage, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of Julia Ward Howe and others that women may be enabled to vote for presidential electors ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at twenty minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, May 13, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Committee Discharged.*

Clerk of the  
police court of  
Lynn, salary of.

Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Lynn, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth ;

Special justices  
of district court  
of Northern  
Berkshire.

The same Senator, from the same committee, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the House Bill relative to the compensation of the special justices of the district court of Northern Berkshire, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth ;

Clerk of Rox-  
bury municipal  
court, salary of.

The same Senator, from the same committee, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the House Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth ; and

Clerk of district  
court of East  
Norfolk, salary  
of.

The same Senator, from the same committee, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the House Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of East Norfolk, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth ;

Severally read and accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence in the reference.

*Petition.*

Province Lands,  
preservation of.

Mr. Meade presented a petition of Gilbert L. Streeter and others for an appropriation of \$25,000 for the preser-



vation of the Province Lands at the extremity of Cape Cod ; and the same was referred to the joint special committee on Public Reservations.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

##### Bills

To provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records (on so much of the Governor's address as relates to executive boards and officers, in part) ; and

Commissioner  
of Public  
Records.

Relative to the volunteer militia (on an order and the petition of Edward L. Tucker) ;

Volunteer  
militia.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

##### Bills

To incorporate the Medfield Water Company (on the petition of Edwin V. Mitchell and others) ;

Medfield Water  
Company.

To incorporate the Medway Water Company (on the petition of Edwin V. Mitchell and others) ;

Medway Water  
Company.

To authorize the city of Cambridge to lay out and maintain a public park or parks (on the petition of the mayor of said city) ; and

Cambridge, city  
of, — public  
parks.

To revise the charter of the city of Lowell (on the petition of the mayor of said city) ;

Lowell, city of,  
— revision of  
charter.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

##### Reports

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court :

On the order relative to providing for the increase of the number of aldermen in the city of Boston to eighteen or twenty-one members, and the election of the aldermen of said city by the voters of the city at large ; and providing a system of voting or representation by which the minority shall be represented upon said board ;

Boston, city of,  
— number of  
aldermen.

On the petition of the mayor of the city of Lynn, on behalf of the city council of said city, for the repeal of so much of section 1 of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, as relates to the average of the assessors' valuation of the taxable property for the three preceding years ; and

Lynn, city of, —  
assessors'  
valuation.

On the order relative to allowing cities in the Commonwealth to levy taxes under the twelve-dollar limit on the

Valuation in  
cities, — limit of  
taxation.

basis of the valuation for the preceding year instead of the average valuation for the three preceding years; and

Political parties, — certificates of nomination.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the State central committee of the Socialist Labor Party that a political party polling the number of votes equal to the number of signatures now required by nomination papers may file certificates of nomination in the same way that parties polling three per cent. of the vote now do (Messrs. McEttrick, of the Senate, and Hart and Merritt, of the House, dissenting);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

Credit companies and collection bureaus.

A House Bill to regulate and establish supervision of the business done by credit companies and collection bureaus (on an order), came up, recommitted to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule. Pending the question on concurring in the suspension of the rule, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Butler, postponed until Monday next.

Justice of police court of Williamstown, salary of.

Notice was received from the House that the House Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown; and

Justice of fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex, salary of.

The House Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex, — had severally been returned to that branch by His Excellency the Governor, with his objections thereto, and had severally failed to pass.

### *House Orders.*

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence: —

Election Laws, committee on.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Election Laws be granted until Friday, May 20, within which to report.

Water Supply, committee on.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Water Supply be granted such further time as may be necessary in order to act upon matters referred to them.

### *Bill Enacted.*

Bill enacted and laid before the Governor.

An engrossed Bill authorizing the Washington Mills Company to increase its capital stock and redeem its preferred stock (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted, and was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill to establish a commission to improve the highways of this Commonwealth, was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury, and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Highway  
commission,  
establishment  
of.

The Resolve providing for the investigation of the burdens imposed on this Commonwealth by the immigration of paupers and criminals, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Resolve.

The Senate Resolutions relating to the immigration of paupers, criminals and dependent persons, were adopted.

Paupers, immi-  
gration of.

The resolutions were as follows : —

*Resolved*, That the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled, earnestly and respectfully urge upon the Congress of the United States, and the executive and legislative departments of the several States, the importance of adopting legislative measures establishing a uniform policy in dealing with immigrants from foreign countries, and persons migrating from State to State, who are dependent upon public or private charity, and are of idle, vicious or criminal habits.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be requested to transmit copies of the foregoing resolution to the presiding officers of both Houses of the Congress of the United States, to each of the Senators and Representatives therein from this Commonwealth, and to the Governors of the several States of the United States.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Resolution against the monopoly of mining and transporting anthracite coal, was considered. On motion of Mr. Thayer, the resolution was amended by inserting, in line 7, after the word “our,” the words “Senators and ;” and by striking out, in line 8, the words “and instruct our Senators.” Mr. Butler moved that the resolution be amended by the substitution of a new draft with the same title, and this amendment was rejected by a vote of 8 to 12 (a quorum being present). The resolution was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Anthracite coal.

The resolution, as amended, was as follows : —

*Resolved*, That whereas a combination has been formed which has secured a substantial monopoly of mining and transporting anthracite coal, so that our people for this necessity, essential to their life and prosperity, are placed at the mercy of a few individuals who have already indicated their purpose by a large and unusual increase in the price of fuel, we therefore request our Senators and Representatives in Congress to make all reasonable efforts to secure the passage of laws effectual to prevent such combinations, destroy such monopolies and put the supply of fuel, as nearly as may be, beyond the reach of private speculation. The Secretary of the Commonwealth is requested to transmit forthwith a copy of this resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives.

Boston, city of,  
— city hall.

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the passage of an act authorizing the city council to take land for a city hall and yard, was considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McNary, postponed until Wednesday, May 18, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

State election,—  
legal holiday.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of P. O. Larkin and others that the day on which the State election is held be made a legal holiday, was considered. Mr. McEttrick moved that the report be amended by the substitution of a “ Bill making the day on which the annual State election is held a legal holiday.” Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Thayer, postponed until Wednesday, May 18.

Voters, qual-  
ification of.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to making assessment of a tax within two years a qualification and prerequisite for registration and voting, was considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Smith, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Ray, at nineteen minutes before one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, May 16, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Wyer, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of the mayor of said city, a Bill to provide a distributing and higher service reservoir for the city of Cambridge ;

Cambridge, city of, — reservoir.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, on the petition of the mayor of said city, a Bill to authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan ; and

Lynn, city of, — water loan.

By Mr. Nichols, from the same committee, on the petition of H. N. Slater and others, a Bill to establish Fire District No. One in the town of Webster ;

Webster, town of, — Fire District No. 1.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, reference to the next General Court, on the Senate Resolve providing for an investigation by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners into the subject of placing electric wires under ground ; and

Electric wires, placing of, under ground.

By Mr. Meade, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Wm. E. Meade that the board of aldermen or city council of the city of Salem may be authorized to determine upon the laying out or alteration of streets or ways within its limits, without being required to take the land to construct such streets or ways until such time as said city may see fit, and to be exempt from liability for damages for such land until work is begun thereon ;

Salem, city of, — land damages.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. Raymond, the Senate Report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 428 of the Acts of

Grade crossings, abolition of.

the year 1890, entitled : “ An Act to promote the abolition of grade crossings,” by striking out the following words in the fourth section thereof : “ *Provided, however,* that if such decision involves a change in the grade of the railroad the consent of the directors of the company to such change of grade shall first be obtained,” — was taken from the table ; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Smith, postponed until Wednesday next.

Gas and electric  
light companies,  
consolidation  
of.

On motion of Mr. Baker, the Senate Report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to re-enacting chapter 372 of the Acts of the year 1887, entitled : “ An Act in relation to the Dorchester Gas Light Company,” and of extending the provisions of said act so as to authorize the union of such gas light and electric light companies as have been already established for furnishing light in the same or contiguous territories ; subject, however, in all cases, to the consent of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, — was taken from the table ; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until Wednesday next.

Id.

On motion of Mr. Clark, the Senate Report of the committee on Manufactures, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to the consolidation or union of corporations chartered or authorized to supply gas or electricity, or both, for light, heat or power, and in relation to the sale and transfer of the property and franchises of such corporations, — was taken from the table and considered, the main question being on the acceptance of the report.

Point of Order.

Pending the question on the adoption of the amendment to substitute for the report a “ Resolve providing for an inquiry by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners into the nature and extent of the business relations between certain gas companies ” (as moved by Mr. McEttrick), Mr. Baker rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that the amendment was not germane to the subject-matter upon which the report was based.

Ruling by the  
President.

Upon the point of order, the President ruled that the resolve, which it had been moved to substitute, by amendment, for the report of the committee, contemplated only an investigation of the affairs and business management of

certain specified companies engaged in the manufacture and distribution of gas, and their relations to each other, the value of their plants and the cost of the property of one of them — the results of such investigation to be reported to the next General Court, with reasons why, under existing conditions, any consolidation of two or more of said companies should be permitted; that such a resolve was not germane to the provisions of the order upon which the report of the committee had been made; and that, accordingly, the point of order was well taken. The amendment was laid aside.

Mr. McEttrick moved that the report be amended by striking out the words "the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court," and inserting in place thereof the words "it is inexpedient to legislate thereon." Pending this motion, Mr. McNary moved that the further consideration of the report be postponed until Wednesday next and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.

Messrs. McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Stevens, Eben S.  
West, William H. — 19.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 13.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
Meade, William E.

Messrs. Raymond, Francis H.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
West, William H. — 7.

So the motion to postpone prevailed.

*Petition.*

Whitman, town of, — electric lighting station.

Mr. Arnold presented a petition of the selectmen and others of the town of Whitman that said town may be authorized to locate its power station for electric lighting in the town of East Bridgewater, provided property can be purchased for that purpose in said town; and moved a suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon. The rule was suspended and the petition was referred to the committee on Towns.

Sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Boston, city of, — Jamaica Pond and Ward's Pond.

A Bill to authorize the city of Boston to acquire Jamaica Pond and Ward's Pond for a public park (on the petition of Isaac Rosnosky), was read and, under the rule, was ordered to be placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Subsequently, a message was received from the House, by a committee thereof, requesting the return of the bill. There being no objection, the bill was ordered to be returned, and Messrs. Parkman and McNary were appointed a committee to convey the same to the House.

Boston, city of, — pensioning members of fire department.

A Bill in relation to pensioning members of the fire department of the city of Boston (on the petition of Albert C. Lynn), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

## Reports

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court:

Boston, city of, — indebtedness and rate of taxation.

On the order relative to providing that the county tax and the expenditures for county purposes be excluded in determining the limit of indebtedness and the rate of taxation in the city of Boston;

Boston, city of, — sinking funds.

On the order relative to enabling the city of Boston, or the sinking fund commissioners thereof, to cancel and extinguish the obligations of the city now or hereafter held by said commissioners; and

Injured policemen and firemen, pensions for.

On the order relative to authorizing all cities and towns to grant pensions to policemen and firemen injured in the discharge of their duty;

Municipal officers, election of.

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in the election of municipal officers;



Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. Gerry Brown for legislation fixing a definite time for caucuses, compelling citizens to register as voters and to vote at caucuses and elections, and subjecting aliens to a heavy personal income tax ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Edward Bellamy, Thomas Wentworth Higginson and others for a law enabling cities and towns to establish coal yards and to supply fuel for their citizens at cost (Messrs. Coveney, of the Senate, and Moriarty and Coakley, of the House, dissenting) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Newton, came up, referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth ; and the Senate concurred in the reference.

*House Petition, etc.*

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of the Prohibition State Central Committee that any political party whose average vote for Governor for the three years next preceding shall average three per cent. of the average total vote for Governor for these years shall enjoy all the rights and privileges now given to a party that casts three per cent. of the vote for Governor for one year, — and the same was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

The following House remonstrances were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Remonstrances of Morse Brothers and others ; and Stephen Stanley and others, — severally, against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park Square ;

Severally to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

*House Order.*

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

*Ordered*, That the committee on State House be granted until Thursday, May 19, to report upon matters now before them.

*Engrossed Bill Amended.*

Chelsea, city of,  
— park way.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the city of Chelsea to take certain land in said city for a park way, came up, amended by adding at the end of section 1 the words “or park.” On motion of Mr. Champlin, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended, and the amendment was forthwith considered. The amendment was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of Senate Rule No. 47, further moved by the same Senator.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed, to wit: —

Bills enacted.

Relating to the record and return of marriages;  
Relating to sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory;  
Relating to the age of persons sentenced to the Massachusetts Reformatory; and  
To authorize the towns of West Stockbridge, Richmond, Egremont, Sheffield and New Marlborough to receive aid from the State treasury for their schools.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed and were signed, to wit: —

Resolves passed.

Relating to the appropriate representation of the soldiers of the Massachusetts Continental Line on the battle monument now being erected at Trenton, New Jersey;

Providing for a continuation of the investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education;

Providing for an examination by the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks of the laws relating to banks and banking; and

In favor of Andrew J. Pixley.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Boston, city of,  
— term of office  
of mayor.

The Bill relating to the term of office of the mayor of the city of Boston, was considered, the main question being on ordering the bill, as previously amended, to a

third reading. Mr. Butler moved that the pending amendment, moved by Mr. McNary, be amended by striking out the proposed new section and inserting in place thereof the following new sections: "*Sect. 2.* This act shall not take effect in any city until the first day of January following the next municipal election after its acceptance, as herein provided. *Sect. 3.* The authorities of each city shall submit the question of the acceptance of this act to the voters of their respective cities at any municipal election, provided, an application in writing has been made therefor by at least ten legal voters, not less than thirty days prior to said election."

This amendment was adopted, by a vote of 17 to 2 (a quorum being present), and the pending amendment, as amended, was adopted. The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 17 to 3 (a quorum being present).

The Senate Bill to provide for the establishment of city governments, was considered, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed. Mr. McEttrick moved that the bill be amended by striking out, in section 1, lines 26 to 30, inclusive, the words "3. Shall the aldermen (if the city council is composed of two branches) be elected for *two* years, instead of for *one* year? [If in favor of *two* years answer YES; if in favor of *one* year answer No.] 4. Shall the mayor be elected for *two* years, instead of for *one* year? [If in favor of *two* years answer YES; if in favor of *one* year answer No], — and this amendment was rejected.

City governments, establishment of.

The same Senator further moved that the bill be amended by inserting, in Article 9 of the Articles of Government, line 3, before the word "Constitution," the words "Bill of Rights and the," — and this amendment was rejected.

Mr. Parkman moved that the bill be amended by inserting, in Article 35, line 41, after the word "specified," the words "subject to confirmation or rejection by the board of aldermen as provided in Article 29," — and this amendment was also rejected.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate concurred with the House in the suspension of the 5th joint rule on the House Bill to regulate and establish supervision of the business done by credit com-

Credit companies and collection bureaus.

panies and collection bureaus (in order that the same might be recommitted, by the House, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs).

**Bills.****The bills**

To incorporate the Medfield Water Company ;

To incorporate the Medway Water Company ;

To revise the charter of the city of Lowell ; and

To authorize the city of Cambridge to lay out and maintain a public park or parks ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Senate resolve.**

The Senate Resolve providing for an investigation of the burdens imposed on this Commonwealth by the immigration of paupers and criminals, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Highway commission.**

The House Bill to establish a commission to improve the highways of this Commonwealth, was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

**The House reports****House reports.**

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing for the increase of the number of aldermen in the city of Boston to eighteen or twenty-one members and the election of the aldermen of said city by the voters of the city at large ; and providing a system of voting or representation by which the minority shall be represented upon said board ;

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Lynn, on behalf of the city council of said city, for the repeal of so much of section 1 of chapter 312 of the Acts of the year 1885, as relates to the average of the assessors' valuation of the taxable property for the three preceding years ; and

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to allowing cities in the Commonwealth to levy taxes under the twelve dollar limit on the basis of the valuation for the preceding year

instead of the average valuation for the three preceding years ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the State Central Committee of the Socialist Labor Party that a political party polling the number of votes equal to the number of signatures now required by nomination papers may file certificates of nomination in the same way that parties polling three per cent. of the vote now do, was considered, the question being on the acceptance thereof, in concurrence. Pending this question, Mr. Merritt moved that the report be amended by the substitution of a "Bill relating to nominating candidates and placing their names upon official ballots," — but, without action thereon, —

*Certificates of nomination.*

On motion of Mr. Champlin, at one minute past five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, May 17, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Report of a Committee.*

Boston, city of,  
— pensioning  
members of  
police depart-  
ment.

By Mr. McNary, from the committee on Cities, on an order, a Bill relating to pensioning members of the police department of the city of Boston ;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Petition.*

North Attle-  
borough, town  
of, — Fire Dis-  
trict No. 1.

Mr. Mott presented a petition of a committee of the town of North Attleborough that said town may be authorized to purchase the franchise and property of Fire District No. 1 of said town, — and moved a suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon. The rule was suspended and the petition was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Sandwich,  
Bourne and  
Mashpee,  
towns of, —  
superintendent  
of schools.

A Bill to enable the towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools (on the petition of the school committees of said towns), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

## Bills

Williamstown  
Water Com-  
pany.

To enable the Williamstown Water Company to take an additional water supply (on the petition of Fred E. Moore and others) ;

Medford, city  
of.

To incorporate the city of Medford (on the petition of the town of Medford) ;

Melville Street  
Cemetery in  
Pittsfield.

Providing for the removal of the remains of the dead from the Melville Street Cemetery in Pittsfield (on the petition of the mayor of said city) ; and

To secure greater secrecy of the ballot when a voter is challenged (on an order);

Ballot, secrecy of, in case of challenge.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

A Report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to enabling cities in the Commonwealth to consolidate their water and sewer departments and establish an annual sewer rate, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Water and sewer departments, consolidation of.

A message from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a supplementary report of the Rapid Transit Commission, was, with the accompanying report, referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Message from the Governor, — supplementary report of the Rapid Transit Commission.

The Senate Bill to incorporate the Fall River Real Estate Association, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, striking out, in section 3, line 2, the word "three," and inserting in place thereof the word "one;" also striking out, in section 4, line 4, the word "two," and inserting in place thereof the word "four." Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendments, they were, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Fall River Real Estate Association.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the first district court of Eastern Worcester, came up, referred to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth; and the Senate concurred in the reference.

Justice of first district court of Eastern Worcester, salary of.

Notice was received from the House that the Bill to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital stock, had been returned to that branch by His Excellency the Governor, with his objections thereto, and had failed to pass.

Connecticut River Railroad Company.

### *House Petition.*

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition of the town of Tisbury for legislation to enable the inhabitants of said town to hold an additional town meeting; and the same was returned to the House for its action.

Tisbury, town of, — town meeting.

*Bills and Resolves Laid Before the Governor.*

The following engrossed bills, which were, yesterday, passed to be enacted and signed, were laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:—

Enacted bills  
laid before the  
Governor.

Relating to the record and return of marriages ;  
Relating to sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory ;  
Relating to the age of persons sentenced to the Massachusetts Reformatory ; and

To authorize the towns of West Stockbridge, Richmond, Egremont, Sheffield and New Marlborough to receive aid from the State treasury for their schools.

The following engrossed resolves, which were, yesterday, passed and signed, were laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:—

Resolves laid  
before the  
Governor.

Relating to the appropriate representation of the soldiers of the Massachusetts Continental Line on the battle monument now being erected at Trenton, New Jersey ;

Providing for a continuation of the investigation into the subject of manual training and industrial education ;

Providing for an examination by the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks of the laws relating to banks and banking ; and

In favor of Andrew J. Pixley.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit:—

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

Relative to the abolition of certain grade crossings in the city of Northampton ;

To authorize the Quincy and Boston Street Railway Company to locate its tracks in the towns of Weymouth and Milton, and in a certain portion of the city of Boston ;

Concerning records of births, deaths and marriages ;

To confirm the proceedings of certain town meetings of the town of Tyngsborough ;

To incorporate the Methuen Water Company ;

In addition to an act making appropriations for certain expenses authorized the present year and for other expenses authorized by law ;



To authorize the proprietors of Oak Grove Cemetery Association to convey its property to the town of Plymouth; and

To change the name of the Protestant German Evangelical Parish in Pittsfield.

The following engrossed resolves (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed, and, with the above-named bills, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:—

To provide for the purchase of books for the library at the Massachusetts Reformatory; Resolves passed, etc.

Relative to the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago;

To provide additional cell room at the Massachusetts Reformatory; and

Relative to appliances for deadening the noise of electric cars.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The unfinished business of yesterday, *i.e.* — the House Report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the State Central Committee of the Socialist Labor Party that a political party polling the number of votes equal to the number of signatures now required by nomination papers may file certificates of nomination in the same way that parties polling three per cent. of the vote now do, — was considered, the main question being on the acceptance thereof, in concurrence. Certificates of nomination.

Pending the question on the adoption of the amendment, moved by Mr. Merritt, to substitute for the report a "Bill relating to nominating candidates and placing their names upon official ballots," Mr. Smith rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that the bill was not germane to the prayer of the petition upon which the report had been made. Point of order.

On the point of order, the President ruled as follows:—

The petition upon which the report was made asks that section 3 of chapter 413 of the Acts of 1889, be amended so that a political party polling the number of votes equal to the number of signatures now required by nomination papers—to wit, one thousand—may file certificates of nomination in the same way in which political parties Ruling by Chair.

polling three per cent. of the vote may now do. The bill moved by the Senator from Hampden as a substitute provides that "all candidates nominated by conventions, composed of delegates duly chosen by the several political parties in this Commonwealth, shall be subject to one and the same law, and entitled to one and the same privilege and right in the make-up of the official ballots furnished by the State for the election of officers in this Commonwealth."

The petition seeks to establish, as a right, that a political party polling a certain number of votes may file certificates of nomination in the same manner in which political parties polling a certain percentage of the total number of votes cast are now permitted to do. The bill provides that *all* candidates nominated by political parties through the medium of conventions composed of certain delegates, shall have equal privileges and rights as regards the making up of the official ballots; but it makes no provision whereby a political party polling any number of votes—whether it be the percentage named in the petition, or otherwise—can secure the issuing of nomination papers. It is a simple declaration of the equality, under the law, of all candidates for political offices who may be nominated by conventions, and in no manner relates to nominations made by nomination papers, so-called. It does not seek to accomplish,—and does not, in fact, accomplish,—the purposes of the petitioners, nor does it grant their prayer; and, in the opinion of the Chair, its provisions are not germane to that prayer. The Chair therefore rules that the point of order is well taken, and the amendment will be laid aside.

Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, in concurrence, Mr. Merritt moved that it be amended by the substitution of a "Bill relating to nominations for State officers," and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Stevens, Eben S.—15.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 20.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. McNary, William S.  
Raymond, Francis H.

Messrs. Simpkins, John  
Thayer, John R. — 4.

So the amendment was rejected.

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

The House Bill to repeal chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled: "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions," was considered, and the question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Hickox, Stephen A.

Messrs. Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Reade, John (Suffolk) — 8.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Champlin, Arthur B.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Stevens, Eben S. — 7.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. John W. Coveney (present),  
Mr. John Read (Middlesex) (present),  
Mr. Francis H. Raymond,  
Mr. Edwin F. Wyer (present),  
Mr. William H. West (present),  
Mr. Gorham D. Gilman,  
Mr. John Simpkins,

## NAYS.

Mr. Richard A. Carter.  
Mr. William H. Carberry.  
Mr. Charles H. Baker (present).  
Mr. B. Frank Southwick.  
Mr. Robert Howard.  
Mr. Isaac N. Nutter (present).  
Mr. Sidney P. Smith (present). — 14.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Drury, John E.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Provin, William  
Ray, William F.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Thayer, John R. — 10.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

## The bills

Bills.

To provide a distributing and higher service reservoir for the city of Cambridge ;

To authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan ; and

In relation to pensioning members of the fire department of the city of Boston ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Cities,  
terms of office  
of mayors of.

The Senate Bill relating to the term of office of the mayor of the city of Boston, was read a third time, as previously amended. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be further amended by striking out section 2 (inserted, yesterday, by amendment) ; and by adding at the end of the bill the following new section : "*Sect. 3.* This act shall take effect in each city on the first day of January following the next municipal election after its acceptance as herein provided."

These amendments were adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, also reported, recommending that the title be amended so as to read as follows : "An Act relating to the terms of office of mayors of cities." This amendment was also adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

## The House bills

House bills.

To incorporate the Medfield Water Company ; and

To revise the charter of the city of Lowell ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Senate report.

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Wm. E. Meade that the board of aldermen or city council of the city of Salem may be authorized to determine upon the laying out or alteration of streets or ways within its limits, without being required to take the land to construct such streets or ways until such time as said city may see fit, and to be exempt from liability for damages for such land until work is begun thereon, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on the Treasury, Senate report. reference to the next General Court, on the Senate Resolve providing for an investigation by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners into the subject of placing electric wires under ground, was accepted, and the resolve was, accordingly, referred to the next General Court.

#### The House reports

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next House reports. General Court, on the order relative to providing that the county tax and the expenditures for county purposes be excluded in determining the limit of indebtedness and the rate of taxation in the city of Boston ;

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to enabling the city of Boston, or the sinking fund commissioners thereof, to cancel and extinguish the obligations of the city now or hereafter held by said commissioners ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in the election of municipal officers ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. Gerry Brown for legislation fixing a definite time for caucuses, compelling citizens to register as voters, and to vote at caucuses and elections, and subjecting aliens to a heavy personal income tax ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Edward Bellamy, Thomas Wentworth Higginson and others for a law enabling cities and towns to establish coal yards and to supply fuel for their citizens at cost ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, at one minute before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet tomorrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, May 18, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of a Committee.*Commissioner  
of Public  
Records.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records, ought to pass ; and

William H.  
Robison.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the House Resolve in favor of William H. Robison, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

County commis-  
sioners for  
Norfolk  
County, salaries  
of.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill to establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk, ought to pass, amended, by striking out, after the words "the county of Norfolk shall be," the word "forty-two," and inserting in place thereof the word "thirty-six ;" and

Massachusetts  
Agricultural  
College,—  
Durfee Plant  
House.

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for a new tool house and for rebuilding the Durfee Plant House at the Massachusetts Agricultural College, ought to pass, amended, by striking out, in line 3, the word "eight," and inserting in place thereof the word "six ;" by striking out, in line 8, the word "two," and inserting in place thereof the word "one ;" and by striking out, in line 11, the word "six," and inserting in place thereof the word "five ;"

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading, with the amendments, in each case, pending.

*Committee Discharged.*Elections, cor-  
rupt practices  
in,—election  
expenses.

Mr. Stevens, from the committee on the Treasury, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Senate Bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections, and to provide for publicity of election expenses. The report was accepted and the bill was, on motion of Mr. Smith, placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next for a second reading, under a suspension of Senate Rule No. 24, moved by the same Senator.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. Clark, the House Bill to establish the salaries of the justices of the Superior Court, was taken from the table, the main question being on passing the same to be engrossed, in concurrence. The pending amendments, moved by Mr. Fernald, to strike out, in section 1, line 5, the words "six thousand," and insert in place thereof the words "sixty-five hundred;" and to strike out, in the same section, line 9, the words "five thousand five hundred," and insert in place thereof the words "six thousand," — were rejected.

Justices of the  
Superior Court,  
salaries of.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

*Reconsideration.*

On motion of Mr. Simpkins, the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the House Bill to incorporate the Medfield Water Company, was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question, the bill was amended, on further motion of the same Senator, by striking out, in section 1, line 1, the name "Edward V. Mitchell," and inserting in place thereof the name "Edwin V. Mitchell." The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Medfield Water  
Company.

*Remonstrance.*

Mr. Ray presented a remonstrance of Harland G. Bacon and others against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park Square; and the same was referred to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Boston and  
Providence  
Railroad, —  
terminal station  
in Boston.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Nichols, —

*Ordered* (under a suspension of the 12th joint rule), That the committee on State House consider the expediency of authorizing the Sergeant-at-Arms to lease a room at 944 Washington Street, Boston, as a laboratory for the use of the State Board of Health.

State Board of  
Health, room  
for.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Smith, —

Mileage  
schedule for  
Senate.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Rules be instructed to prepare a mileage schedule for the Senate, to be used in computing travelling distances, in accordance with the provisions of section 4 of chapter 59 of the Acts of the year 1892. .

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

Attorney-General,  
opinion of,  
requested as to  
constitution-  
ality of certain  
legislation.

*Ordered*, That the Attorney-General be requested to give his opinion upon the constitutionality of the " Bill relating to the registration of voters," now pending in the Senate.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

##### Bills

Dennis and  
Yarmouth,  
towns of, —  
superintendent  
of schools.  
Appropriations.

To enable the towns of Dennis and Yarmouth to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools (on the petition of W. E. Chaffin); and

Making appropriations for the World's Columbian Exposition, for the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipso-maniacs and Inebriates, and for certain other expenses authorized by law; and

State Normal  
School in  
Westfield.

A Resolve in favor of the State Normal School in Westfield (introduced on leave in the House);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Intoxicating  
liquors, sale of,  
in hotels.

A Report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 220 of the Acts of the year 1882, being an act to prohibit the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors on premises within a certain distance of public schools, so that the provisions of the same shall not apply to a hotel containing more than one hundred rooms (Messrs. Reade of Suffolk, of the Senate, and Sullivan and Halley, of the House, dissenting), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

##### *House Petitions, etc.*

The following House petitions and remonstrance were severally referred, in concurrence: —

Fall River, city  
of, — highways,  
paving, sewers  
and school-  
houses.

A petition of the mayor of the city of Fall River that said city may be authorized to borrow \$150,000 for highways, paving, sewers and school-houses;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.



A remonstrance of N. F. Howard and others against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park Square ;

Boston and Providence Railroad,—terminal station in Boston.

To the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Stoughton that said town may be authorized to issue \$150,000 forty-year bonds for paying expenses incident to the purchase of the property and rights of the Stoughton Water Company ;

Stoughton, town of,—water bonds.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

*Engrossed Bill Laid on the Table.*

An engrossed Bill to incorporate the Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company (which originated in the Senate), was put upon its final passage ; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be enacted, it was, on motion of Mr. Meade, laid on the table.

Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

*Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit :—

Relating to the identification of criminals ;

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings ;

Concerning the city registrar of the city of Boston ;

To confirm certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Newbury ; and

For the protection of the water supply of the city of Haverhill.

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

An engrossed Resolve providing for the payment of expenses in connection with the disappearance and funeral of the late Stillman W. Edgell (which originated in the Senate), was passed, and, with the above-named bills, was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve passed, etc.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor

Boston, city of,—city hall.

of the city of Boston for the passage of an act authorizing the city council to take land for a city hall and yard, was considered. Mr. McNary moved that the report be amended by the substitution of a "Bill relating to the taking of land for a city hall for the city of Boston." Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Parkman, postponed until to-morrow.

Grade crossings, abolition of.

The Senate Report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, entitled: "An Act to promote the abolition of grade crossings," by striking out the following words in the fourth section thereof: "*Provided, however,* that if such decision involves a change in the grade of the railroad the consent of the directors of the company to such change of grade shall first be obtained,"—was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Smith, postponed until Friday next.

Gas and electric light corporations, consolidation of.

The Senate Report of the committee on Manufactures, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to the consolidation or union of corporations chartered or authorized to supply gas or electricity, or both, for light, heat or power, and in relation to the sale and transfer of the property and franchises of such corporations,—was considered, the main question being on the acceptance thereof.

The pending amendment, moved by Mr. McEttrick, to strike out the words "the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court," and insert in place thereof the words "it is inexpedient to legislate thereon," was considered. Mr. McNary moved that the report be amended by the substitution of a "Resolve providing for an investigation by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners into the expediency of authorizing the consolidation of corporations chartered to supply gas or electricity." Pending these amendments, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McNary, postponed until to-morrow.

The Senate Report of the committee on Manufactures, Dorchester Gas Light Company. inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to re-enacting chapter 372 of the Acts of the year 1887, entitled: "An Act in relation to the Dorchester Gas Light Company," and of extending the provisions of said act so as to authorize the union of such gas light and electric light companies as have been already established for furnishing light in the same or contiguous territories; subject, however, in all cases to the consent of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, — was considered. Mr. McNary moved that the report be amended by the substitution of a "Resolve providing for an investigation by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners into the expediency of re-enacting the act in relation to the Dorchester Gas Light Company and of extending the provisions of said act." Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McEttrick, postponed until to-morrow.

The Senate concurred in the adoption of the House amendments to the Senate Bill to incorporate the Fall River Real Estate Association, — striking out, in section 3, line 2, the word "three," and inserting in place thereof the word "one;" and striking out, in section 4, line 4, the word "two," and inserting in place thereof the word "four." Fall River Real Estate Association.

The Senate Bill providing for the inspection of steam boilers, and the licensing of persons in charge of steam engines, and to provide for the better protection of life and property from accidents caused by unskilful and careless management of steam apparatus, was, by a vote of 15 to 10, rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury. Steam boilers, etc., inspection of.

#### The bills

To enable the Williamstown Water Company to take an additional water supply; Bill.

To incorporate the city of Medford;

Providing for the removal of the remains of the dead from the Melville Street Cemetery in Pittsfield; and

To secure greater secrecy of the ballot when a voter is challenged;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Resolve.**

The Resolve in favor of Harry W. Welch, was considered and ordered to a third reading.

Webster, town of, — Fire District No. 1.

The Bill to establish Fire District No. 1 in the town of Webster, was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Stevens, laid on the table.

Boston, city of, — pensioning members of police department.

The Bill relating to pensioning members of the police department of the city of Boston, was read a second time.

Mr. Champlin moved that the bill be amended by inserting, in section 1, line 11, after the word "years," the words "except soldiers and sailors who served during the War of the Rebellion and who have received an honorable discharge." Pending this amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McNary, postponed until to-morrow.

**Senate bills.**

The Senate bills

To provide a distributing and higher service reservoir for the city of Cambridge; and

To authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Medway Water Company.

The House Bill to incorporate the Medway Water Company, was read a third time, amended, on motion of Mr. Ray, by striking out, in section 1, line 1, the name "E. C. Wilson," and inserting in place thereof the name "E. Cutler Wilson," and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Cambridge, city of, — public parks.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to lay out and maintain public parks (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, the bill was amended by inserting, after section 8, a new section, as follows: "*Sect. 9.* If the city of Cambridge shall accept the provisions of chapter 154 of the Acts of the year 1882, and acts in amendment thereof, then all lands and real estate which may be taken by virtue of this act, shall be under the care and management of the board of park commissioners of said city, author-

ized to be appointed by virtue of said act." The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill in relation to pensioning members of the fire department of the city of Boston, was read a third time; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McNary, postponed until tomorrow.

The House Bill to repeal chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled: "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions," was read a third time; and the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, was determined as follows, to wit:—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Drury, John E.  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Thayer, John R.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 16.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Howard, Robert

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.  
McNary, William S.  
Provin, William  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank — 14.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. George K. Nichols,  
Mr. Francis H. Raymond (present),

## NAYS.

Mr. Michael J. McEttrick (present).  
Mr. Eben S. Stevens. — 4.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Merritt, Christopher C.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Ray, William F. — 5.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill to provide a penalty for intimidating laborers, was considered, and, by a vote of 17 to 11, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

State election, —  
legal holiday.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of P. O. Larkin and others that the day on which the State election is held be made a legal holiday, was considered ; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. McEttrick, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Thayer, postponed until to-morrow.

Policemen and  
firemen, pen-  
sioning of.

The House Report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to authorizing all cities and towns to grant pensions to policemen and firemen injured in the discharge of their duty, was considered ; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, in concurrence, it was, on motion of Mr. McEttrick, laid on the table.

House report.

The House Report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to enabling cities in the Commonwealth to consolidate their water and sewer departments and establish an annual sewer rate, was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Carter, at ten minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, May 19, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Thomas E. St. John of Haverhill, a member of the House of Representatives.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Fernald, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of a committee of said town, a Bill to authorize the town of North Attleborough to purchase the franchise and property of Fire District Number One of said town ;

North Attleborough, town of, — Fire District No. 1.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill making appropriations for the World's Columbian Exposition, for the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ; and

Appropriations.

The House Resolve in favor of the State Normal School in Westfield, — severally, ought to pass ;

State Normal School in Westfield.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Nutter, from the committee on Education, on the petition of Isaac N. Nutter, a Bill authorizing the town of Bridgewater to lay out a highway over a portion of the land of the Bridgewater Normal School ;

Bridgewater, town of, — right of way across land of State Normal School.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

*Enacted Bill Recalled.*

On motion of Mr. Wyer, that Senator was charged with a message to His Excellency the Governor, requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill for the protection of the water supply of the city of Haverhill, which was, yesterday, passed to be enacted. Subsequently, the bill having been returned, the vote by which the bill was passed to be enacted was reconsidered, on further

Haverhill, city of, — water supply.

motion of Mr. Wyer ; and, pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be enacted, it was, on motion of the same Senator, laid on the table.

*Reconsideration.*

Boston, city of,  
— limit of taxation.

Mr. Parkman moved that the vote by which the Senate, on Tuesday last, accepted, in concurrence, the House Report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing that the county tax and the expenditures for county purposes be excluded in determining the limit of indebtedness and the rate of taxation in the city of Boston, — be reconsidered. There being no objection, this motion was entertained, and prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, in concurrence, it was, on further motion of the same Senator, laid on the table.

Boston, city of,  
— sinking fund.

Mr. Parkman moved that the vote by which the Senate, on Tuesday last, accepted, in concurrence, the House Report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to enabling the city of Boston, or the sinking fund commissioners thereof, to cancel and extinguish the obligations now or hereafter held by said commissioners, — be reconsidered. There being no objection, this motion was entertained, and prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, in concurrence, it was, on further motion of the same Senator, laid on the table.

Steam boilers,  
etc., inspection  
of.

Mr. Thayer moved that the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, rejected the Senate Bill providing for the inspection of steam boilers, and the licensing of persons in charge of steam engines, and to provide for the better protection of life and property from accidents caused by unskilful and careless management of steam apparatus, — be reconsidered ; and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit : —

**YEAS.**

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Thayer, John R. — 16.



## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
 Carberry, William H.  
 Champlin, Arthur B.  
 Clark, Wilder P.  
 Dame, Luther  
 Drury, John E.  
 Nichols, George K.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
 Parkman, Henry  
 Ray, William F.  
 Southwick, B. Frank  
 Stevens, Eben S.  
 West, William H.  
 Wyer, Edwin F. — 14.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
 Hickox, Stephen A.  
 Kimball, Henry A.  
 McDonald, James W.  
 Meade, William E.

Messrs. Provin, William  
 Raymond, Francis H.  
 Reade, John (Suffolk)  
 Smith, Sidney P. — 9.

So the motion to reconsider prevailed. Pending the recurring question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Butler, postponed until to-morrow.

*Motion to Reconsider.*

Mr. Fernald moved that the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the House Bill to repeal chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled: "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions,"—be reconsidered, and this motion was, on motion of Mr. Butler, postponed until Monday next.

Collateral  
 legacies and  
 successions.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. McEttrick, the following Senate order was taken from the table:—

*Ordered*, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature, within ten days from the passage of this order, as follows:—

Gas companies,  
 — investigation  
 of certain  
 business  
 relations.

1. As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

2. As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

3. As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas

Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purposes of this order, the Commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

Pending the question on the adoption of the order, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick, the following House order was taken from the table : —

Gas companies,  
— investigation  
of certain  
business  
relations.

*Ordered*, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature, within twenty days from the passage of this order, as follows : —

1. As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston, and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

2. As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

3. As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000 and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purposes of this order, the Commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

Pending the question on the adoption of the order, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until to-morrow.

Gas consumers,  
protection of,  
from excessive  
charges.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick, the Bill to protect gas consumers from excessive charges, was taken from the table ; and, pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Manufactures, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until to-morrow.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Tisbury, town  
of, — second  
annual town  
meeting.

A Bill to authorize the town of Tisbury to hold a second annual meeting for the present year (on the petition of said town), was read three times, under a suspen-

sion of the rules, moved by Mr. Simpkins, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. On further motion of the same Senator, Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended.

### Bills

To incorporate the Columbia Trust Company (on the petition of J. Henry Stevenson and others) ;

Columbia Trust Company.

In addition to an act in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (on an order) ; and

Safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

In relation to the detention of material witnesses in cases of felony (on the annual report of the Attorney-General, in part) ;

Witnesses in felony cases, detention of.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

### Reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in elections ;

Elections, political representation in.

Of the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary, on Part II. of the thirty-sixth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to life, casualty and assessment insurance ;

Life, casualty and assessment insurance.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to regulating the charges made by telephone companies to cities and towns in the Commonwealth ; and

Telephone companies, charges made by.

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that whenever any accident shall happen in connection with the operation of any street railway, or any injury be occasioned to any person or property (other than property of the street railway company itself) by the electric current, apparatus, plant or fixtures, cars or other rolling stock, or horses, used by any street railway company, such company shall within forty-eight hours after such accident make a report in writing and under oath to the board of aldermen of the city, or selectmen of the town, where such accident occurred, giving as fully as possible all circumstances and details, names of employees on duty, and names of witnesses and their residences ; every street railway to be required to display a copy of the act in every car used for transporting passengers, and each violation of the act to be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000 (Mr. Wood, of the House, dissenting) ;

Street railways, — reports of accidents.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Minors,  
peddling by.

The Senate Bill relating to peddling by minors, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out section 2. On motion of Mr. Fernald, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended, and the amendment was forthwith considered and adopted, in concurrence.

Judges of pro-  
bate and in-  
solvency, duties  
of.

The Senate Bill relating to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, in section 2, line 2, and section 4, line 3, striking out, in each case, the word "Treasurer," and inserting in place thereof the word "Auditor." Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendments, they were, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

#### *Bills Enacted.*

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, and were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

Relating to cards of instructions and specimen ballots for State and city elections;

To authorize the town of Wenham to refund its debt and issue bonds or notes therefor;

To establish the salary of the district attorney for the Southern District;

To provide for the licensing and regulating of boarding-houses for infants; and

To authorize the town of Tisbury to hold a second annual meeting for the present year.

#### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Gas and electric  
light corpora-  
tions, con-  
solidation of.

The Senate Report of the committee on Manufactures, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to the consolidation or union of corporations chartered or authorized to supply gas or electricity, or both, for light, heat or power, and in relation to the sale and transfer of the property and franchises of such corporations, — was considered, the main question being on the acceptance thereof.

There being no objection, the pending amendment, moved by Mr. McEttrick, to strike out the words "the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court," and insert in place thereof the words "it is inexpedient to legislate thereon," was withdrawn by him.

Pending the amendment, moved by Mr. McNary, to substitute for the report a "Resolve providing for an investigation by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners into the expediency of authorizing the consolidation of corporations chartered to supply gas or electricity," Mr. Baker rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that the resolve was beyond the scope of the order upon which the report had been made. The President ruled that the point of order was well taken, and the amendment was accordingly laid aside.

Point of Order.

Ruling by  
President.

Mr. McNary moved that the report be amended by the substitution of a resolve with the same title as that which had been laid aside. Mr. McEttrick moved that the resolve be amended by striking out, at the end thereof, the words "have and may exercise all the power given them by the general laws of the Commonwealth," and inserting in place thereof the words "be empowered to send for books and papers, to compel the attendance of witnesses and to administer oaths to such witnesses," — and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 6 to 15.

The question on amending the report by the substitution of the resolve was then determined as follows, to wit: —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Drury, John E.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Nutter, Isaac N.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Provin, William  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Simpkins, John  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 17.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.

Messrs. Hickox, Stephen A.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 17.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING

Messrs. Dame, Luther  
Kimball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.

Messrs. Meade, William E.  
Smith, Sidney P. — 5.

So the amendment was rejected. The report was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Dorchester Gas  
Light Company.

The Senate Report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to re-enacting chapter 372 of the Acts of the year 1887, entitled: "An Act in relation to the Dorchester Gas Light Company," and extending the provisions of said act so as to authorize the union of such gas light and electric light companies as have been already established for furnishing light in the same or contiguous territories; subject, however, in all cases, to the consent of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, — was considered. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. McNary, to substitute for the report a "Resolve providing for an investigation by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners into the expediency of re-enacting the act in relation to the Dorchester Gas Light Company and of extending the provisions of said act," was adopted, and the resolve was substituted, read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Boston, city of,  
— city hall.

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the passage of an act authorizing the city council to take land for a city hall and yard, was considered. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. McNary, to substitute for the report a "Bill relating to the taking of land for a city hall for the city of Boston," was adopted, and the bill was substituted, read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

State election,—  
legal holiday.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of P. O. Larkin and others that the day on which the State election is held be made a legal holiday, was considered, the main question being on the acceptance thereof. The question on the adoption of the pending amendment, moved by Mr.

McEttrick, to substitute for the report a " Bill making the day on which the annual State election is held a legal holiday," was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 14.

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 16.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

NAYS.

Mr. William N. Eaton (present), Mr. John Simpkins.  
Mr. James W. McDonald, Mr. Sidney P. Smith (present).—4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Meade, William E.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Raymond, Francis H. — 5.

So the amendment was rejected. The report was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Bill relating to pensioning members of the police department of the city of Boston, was considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Champlin, to insert, in section 1, line 11, after the word " years," the words " except soldiers and sailors who served during the War of the Rebellion and who have received an honorable discharge," was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, the bill was amended by adding at the end of section 1, the words " and provided that soldiers and sailors who served during the War of the

Boston, city of,  
— pensioning  
members of  
police depart-  
ment.

Rebellion and who have received an honorable discharge, shall not be retired at the age of sixty-five years, except at their own request."

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Commissioner  
of Public  
Records, ap-  
pointment of.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records, was read a second time. Mr. Butler moved that the bill be amended by the substitution of a "Bill relating to the public records of counties, cities, towns, churches, parishes or religious societies." Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until to-morrow.

Massachusetts  
Agricultural  
College, —  
Durfee Plant  
House.

The Resolve providing for a new tool house and for rebuilding the Durfee Plant House at the Massachusetts Agricultural College, was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury, by striking out, in line 3, the word "eight," and inserting in place thereof the word "six;" by striking out, in line 8, the word "two," and inserting in place thereof the word "one;" and by striking out, in line 11, the word "six," and inserting in place thereof the word "five," — and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Resolve.

The Resolve in favor of William H. Robison, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Boston, city of,  
— pensioning  
members of  
fire department.

The House Bill in relation to pensioning members of the fire department of the city of Boston, was considered. On motion of Mr. Parkman, the bill was amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 4, the words "when they," and inserting in place thereof, the words "have power to;" by inserting, in line 9, after the word "years," the words "and shall, in such case;" and by striking out section 2, and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "*Sect 2.* The said board of the said city may, by majority vote of the members thereof, with the approval of the mayor, pay to former members of the fire department of said city now on the pension rolls of said city, pensions in accordance with the provisions of this act." The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.



The House bills

To authorize the Williamstown Water Company to increase its water supply (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; House bills.

To incorporate the city of Medford ;

Providing for the removal of the remains of the dead from the Melville Street Cemetery in Pittsfield ; and

To secure greater secrecy of the ballot when a voter is challenged ; and

The House Resolve in favor of Harry W. Welch ; House resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 220 of the Acts of the year 1882, being an act to prohibit the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors on premises within a certain distance of public schools, so that the provisions of the same shall not apply to a hotel containing more than one hundred rooms, — was accepted, in concurrence. House report.

The Bill to establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk, was read a second time ; and, pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, and pending the amendment recommended by the committee on the Treasury, without action thereon, — County commissioners of Norfolk County, salaries of.

On motion of Mr. Ray, at three minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, May 20, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Champlin in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain of the House of Representatives.

*Reports of a Committee.*

Election laws,  
consolidation  
of.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order (in part), a Resolve providing for consolidating and arranging the laws relating to elections ;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Ballots, mark-  
ing of.

By Mr. Smith, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to preventing the use in marking ballots of anything except black pencils ;

Ballots, recount  
of.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing the board of aldermen in any city to employ, through the city clerk, such clerical assistance as may be necessary to recount ballots cast in such city at any election, whenever a recount is called for as provided by law ; such recount to be under the supervision of the board of aldermen, a majority of the same being present ;

Id.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to repealing all laws authorizing a recount of the votes cast at any election, and to provide, in place thereof, that all votes cast at any State, city or town elections for any officer or upon any question submitted to the people, shall be counted in full within six days following such election, by or under direction of the mayor and aldermen, selectmen or some other board or officer, and that such board or officer be authorized to employ clerical assistance in such work ; and

Id.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 104 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing that no recount of votes, authorized by said

section, shall be made unless one or more of the defeated candidates for the office for which a recount is desired, receives ninety per cent., at least, of the entire vote cast for a candidate elected to that office, or unless some error is shown to exist on the returns of the election officers; also that the board of aldermen be authorized to employ clerical assistance when such recounts are made;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

# PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Bills

To repeal chapter 331 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled: "An Act to supply the town of Methuen with water" (on the petition of Charles W. Mann and others);

Methuen, town of, — water supply.

To incorporate the Massachusetts Real Estate Company of Lowell (on the petition of John J. Donovan and others); and

Massachusetts Real Estate Company of Lowell.

Relating to naturalization in the inferior courts (on the report of the Controllor of County Accounts, in part);

Inferior courts, naturalization in.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

## Reports

Of the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to the membership, benefit and endowment and expense receipts and disbursements of the so-called assessment endowment corporations of this Commonwealth; and

Assessment endowment corporations, receipts and disbursements of.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill to amend an act concerning the volunteer militia (introduced on leave in the House);

Volunteer militia.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Essex, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out, in section 1, lines 2 and 3, the word "forty-two," and inserting in place thereof the word "forty-five." Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendment, it was, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

County commissioners for Essex County, salaries of.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

County com-  
missioners for  
Norfolk  
County, salaries  
of.

The unfinished business of yesterday, *i. e.*, the Bill to establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk, was considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading. The pending amendment, recommended by the committee on the Treasury, to strike out, in section 1, line 3, the word "forty-two," and inserting in place thereof the word "thirty-six," was rejected, by a vote of 5 to 16. The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Steam boilers,  
inspection of,  
etc.

The Senate Bill providing for the inspection of steam boilers, and the licensing of persons in charge of steam engines, and to provide for the better protection of life and property from accidents caused by unskilful and careless management of steam apparatus, was considered; and the question on the rejection thereof, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury, was determined as follows, to wit: —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S.  
West, William H. — 13.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Gilman, Gorham D.

Messrs. Howard, Robert  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Thayer, John R. — 10.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. Francis P. Arnold,  
Mr. George K. Nichols,  
Mr. Edwin F. Wyer,  
Mr. William Provin,  
Mr. Henry Parkman (present),

## NAYS.

Mr. Michael J. McEttrick (present).  
Mr. Edward P. Shaw (present).  
Mr. John W. Coveney (present).  
Mr. Patrick J. Kennedy (present).  
Mr. John Read (Middlesex). — 10.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Hickox, Stephen A.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P. — 6.

So the bill was rejected.

The Senate Bill to protect gas consumers from excessive charges, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Manufactures.

Gas consumers, protection of, from excessive charges.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records, was considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading. The pending amendment, moved by Mr Butler, to substitute therefor a new draft, entitled: "An act relating to the public records of counties, cities, towns, churches, parishes or religious societies," was rejected, by a vote of 9 to 16. The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Commissioner of Public Records, appointment of.

#### The bills

To authorize the town of North Attleborough to purchase the franchise and property of Fire District Number One of said town;

Bills.

To incorporate the Columbia Trust Company; and

Making appropriations for the World's Columbian Exposition, for the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates, and for certain other expenses authorized by law; and

#### The resolves

Providing for an investigation by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners into the expediency of re-enacting the act in relation to the Dorchester Gas Light Company and of extending the provisions of said act; and

Resolves.

In favor of the State Normal School in Westfield;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The following House order was considered, the question being on the adoption thereof, in concurrence:—

*Ordered*, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature, within twenty days from the passage of this order, as follows:—

Gas companies, investigation of business relations between.

1. As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

2. As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

3. As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas

Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purposes of this order, the Commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

Mr. McNary moved that the order be amended by the substitution of the following order : —

Gas companies,  
investigation  
of business  
relations  
between.

*Ordered,* That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners is hereby instructed to make definite report to the next General Court, on or before the first Wednesday of February, upon the expediency, in the interest of the public, of a consolidation or union of the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware, and in relation to the sale or transfer of the property and franchises of such corporations to a consolidated corporation, and submit, if deemed expedient, a plan for such consolidation ; and said board is further instructed to report the fair market value of the plants of such corporations, the selling prices and qualities of gas of such corporations compared with the selling prices and qualities in the principal Atlantic sea-board cities of the country, and the relative cost of materials for the manufacture of gas by these corporations, and such other facts and recommendations as it may deem proper respecting the expediency of such consolidation in the interest of the public. For the purpose of making such report the said Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners shall have and may exercise all the powers given them by the general laws of the Commonwealth.

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on the adoption of the House order, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McNary, postponed until Tuesday, May 24, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

The following Senate order was considered, the question being on the adoption thereof : —

*Ordered,* That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature, within ten days from the passage of this order, as follows : —

1. As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

2. As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

3. As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purposes of this order, the Commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

Pending the question on the adoption of the order, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McNary, postponed until Tuesday, May 24, to be placed second in the Orders of the Day.

The Senate concurred in the adoption of the House amendments to the Senate Bill relating to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency, — striking out, in section 2, line 2, and in section 4, line 3, in each case, the word "Treasurer," and inserting in place thereof the word "Auditor."

Judges of probate and insolvency, duties of.

The Senate Bill relating to pensioning members of the police department of the city of Boston, was read a third time, as previously amended, and passed to be engrossed.

Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Resolve in favor of William H. Robison, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House resolve.

The Senate Report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 428 of the Acts of the year 1890, entitled: "An Act to promote the abolition of grade crossings," by striking out the following words in the fourth section thereof: "*Provided, however,* that if such decision involves a change in the grade of the railroad the consent of the directors of the company to such change of grade shall first be obtained," — was accepted.

Senate report.

Sent down for concurrence.

**The House reports****House reports.**

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of John M. Berry for more equal representation in elections ;

Of the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary, on Part II. of the thirty-sixth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to life, casualty and assessment insurance ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to regulating the charges made by telephone companies to cities and towns in the Commonwealth ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, at twenty-one minutes before two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.



MONDAY, May 23, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House bills

To enable the towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools ; and

Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee, — superintendent of schools.

To enable the towns of Dennis and Yarmouth to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools, — severally, ought to pass ;

Dennis and Yarmouth, towns of, — superintendent of schools.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on an order, a Bill relating to pensioning members of the police department of cities containing seventy-five thousand inhabitants ;

Police officers, pensioning of, in certain cases.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Gilman, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that the House Bill to incorporate the South Berkshire Mountain Club, ought to pass ;

South Berkshire Mountain Club.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill to amend an Act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof (introduced on leave in the House) ;

Civil service, improvement of.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Bills

Worcester and  
Shrewsbury  
Railroad  
Company.

To authorize the Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad Company to extend its tracks across Lake Quinsigamond (on the petition of the same) (Messrs. Lakin and Parker, of the House, dissenting) ;

Everett, city of.

To incorporate the city of Everett (on the petition of the town of Everett) ;

Fall River, city  
of, — water  
supply.

Concerning the assessment of damages for property taken by the city of Fall River under the provisions of the act authorizing said city to take land for the better protection of its water supply (on the petition of the mayor of said city) ; and

Boston, city of,  
— public parks.

To authorize the city of Boston to acquire Jamaica Pond and Ward's Pond for a public park (on the petition of Isaac Rosnosky) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Fire and marine  
insurance.

A Report of the committee on Insurance, reference to the next General Court, on Part I. of the 37th annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to fire and marine insurance, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*House Order.*

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Cities, com-  
mittee on.

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities be granted until Wednesday, May 25, to report on matters before them.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up. .

Boston, city of,  
— city hall.

The Bill relating to the taking of land for a city hall for the city of Boston, was read a second time ; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Parkman, postponed until to-morrow.

Safe deposit,  
loan and trust  
companies.

The Bill in addition to an act in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies, was read a second time. Mr. Nutter moved that the bill be amended by inserting, in section 1, line 1, after the word "company," the word "hereafter" (which had been stricken out by the House), and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Drury, John E.  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Howard, Robert

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
Meade, William E.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Provin, William  
Ray, William F.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Southwick, B. Frank. — 20.

NAYS.

Messrs. Clark, Wilder P.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Thayer, John R.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 11.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. Charles H. Baker,

NAY.

Mr. Francis H. Raymond (present). — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Hickox, Stephen A.  
McNary, William S.  
Nichols, George K.

Messrs. Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Stevens, Eben S. — 6.

So the amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, the bill was further amended by adding at the end of section 1 the words "*provided*, that nothing herein contained shall apply to any such company now receiving such deposit or certificate, or account representing such deposit or deposits, and paying interest thereon." The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate passed to be engrossed the House Bill to repeal chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled: "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions," was considered, and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit: —

Collateral  
legacies and  
successions,  
tax on.

YEAS.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Ray, William F.  
Reade, John (Suffolk) — 12

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## NAYS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Meade, William E.

Messrs. Mott, Edward  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 9.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. William Provin (present),  
Mr. Sidney P. Smith (present),  
Mr. Arthur B. Champlin (present),  
Mr. William S. McNary,  
Mr. William H. Carberry (present),  
Mr. Eben S. Stevens,

## NAYS.

Mr. John Simpkins.  
Mr. Stephen A. Hickox.  
Mr. Edward P. Shaw.  
Mr. Francis H. Raymond (present).  
Mr. George K. Nichols.  
Mr. Henry Parkman (present). — 12.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Coveney, John W.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Thayer, John R. — 6.

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

Collateral  
legacies and  
successions,  
tax on.

The recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, was then determined as follows, to wit : —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 11.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Thayer, John R. — 12.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. Stephen A. Hickox,  
Mr. Edward P. Shaw,  
Mr. George K. Nichols,  
Mr. John Simpkins,  
Mr. Francis H. Raymond (present),  
Mr. Henry Parkman (present),

## NAYS.

Mr. Sidney P. Smith (present).  
Mr. Arthur B. Champlin (present).  
Mr. William H. Carberry (present).  
Mr. Michael J. McEtrick (present).  
Mr. William S. McNary.  
Mr. Eben S. Stevens. — 12.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.

Messrs. Coveney, John W.  
Ray, William F. — 4.

So the bill was rejected.

The bills

In relation to the detention of material witnesses in Bills.  
cases of felony ;

To repeal chapter 331 of the Acts of the year 1891,  
entitled : “ An Act to supply the town of Methuen with  
water ; ”

To incorporate the Massachusetts Real Estate Company  
of Lowell ; and

Relating to naturalization in the inferior courts ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a  
third reading.

The Senate Bill to authorize the town of North Attle- Senate bill.  
borough to purchase the franchise and property of Fire  
District Number One of said town ; and

The Senate Resolve providing for an investigation by Senate resolve.  
the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners into  
the expediency of re-enacting the act in relation to the  
Dorchester Gas Light Company and of extending the pro-  
visions of said act ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be  
engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Resolve providing for a new tool house and Massachusetts  
Agricultural  
College, —  
Durfee Plant  
House.  
for rebuilding the Durfee Plant House at the Massachu-  
setts Agricultural College, was read a third time, as pre-  
viously amended ; and, pending the question on passing  
the resolve to be engrossed, the further consideration  
thereof was, on motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, post-  
poned until Wednesday, May 25.

The Senate concurred in the adoption of the House County com-  
missioners of  
Essex County,  
salaries of.  
amendments to the Senate Bill to establish the salaries of  
the county commissioners for the county of Essex, — strik-  
ing out, in section 1, lines 2 and 3, the word “ forty-two,”  
and inserting in place thereof the word “ forty-five.”

The House bills

To provide for the appointment of a commissioner of House bills.  
public records ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners  
for the county of Norfolk ;

To incorporate the Columbia Trust Company ; and

Making appropriations for the World's Columbian Expo-  
sition, for the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs

and Inebriates, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ; and

**House resolve.** The House Resolve in favor of the State Normal School in Westfield ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**The Senate reports**

**Senate reports.** Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to preventing the use in marking ballots of anything except black pencils ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to authorizing the board of aldermen in any city to employ, through the city clerk, such clerical assistance as may be necessary to recount ballots cast in such city at any election, whenever a recount is called for as provided by law ; such recount to be under the supervision of the board of aldermen, a majority of the same being present ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to repealing all laws authorizing a recount of the votes cast at any election, and to provide, in place thereof, that all votes cast at any State, city or town elections for any officer or upon any question submitted to the people, shall be counted in full within six days following such election, by, or under direction of the mayor and aldermen, selectmen or some other board or officer, and that such board or officer be authorized to employ clerical assistance in such work ; and

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 104 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing that no recount of votes authorized by said section shall be made unless one or more of the defeated candidates for the office for which the recount is desired, receives ninety per cent., at least, of the entire vote cast for a candidate elected to that office, or unless some error is shown to exist on the returns of the election officers ; also that the board of aldermen be authorized to employ clerical assistance when such recounts are made ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**The House reports**

**House reports.** Of the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Insurance Commissioner relating to

the membership, benefit and endowment and expense receipts and disbursements of the so-called assessment endowment corporations of this Commonwealth ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on a Bill to amend an act concerning the volunteer militia ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that, whenever any accident shall happen in connection with the operation of any street railway, or any injury be occasioned to any person or property (other than property of the street railway company itself) by the electric current, apparatus, plant or fixtures, cars or other rolling stock, or horses, used by any street railway company, such company shall within forty-eight hours after such accident make a report in writing and under oath to the board of aldermen of the city, or selectmen of the town, where such accident occurred, giving as fully as possible all circumstances and details, names of employees on duty, and names of witnesses and their residences ; every street railway to be required to display a copy of the act in every car used for transporting passengers, and each violation of the act to be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000 ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Provin, at twenty-nine minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, May 24, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Raymond in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of a Committee.*

Election laws,  
consolidation of.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Resolve providing for consolidating and arranging the laws relating to elections, ought to pass, with an amendment, striking out the words "said commissioners," and inserting in place thereof the words "The terms of office of said commissioners shall expire on the first Wednesday in February in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three, and they ;"

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

Bridgewater,  
town of, — right  
of way across  
land of State  
Normal School.

By Mr. Stevens, from the committee on the Treasury, that the Senate Bill authorizing the town of Bridgewater to lay out a highway over a portion of the land of the Bridgewater Normal School, ought to pass ;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Intoxicating  
liquor, sale of,  
by innholders.

To restrict the sale of intoxicating liquor by innholders and common victuallers (on the petition of Charles E. Adams and others) (Messrs. Reade of Suffolk, of the Senate, and Sullivan and Halley, of the House, dissenting) ; and

Children, em-  
ployment of.

In relation to the employment of children (being a new draft of the Senate Bill relating to the schooling and limit of labor of children employed in manufacturing and other establishments, recommitted to the committee on Education) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.



*House Order.*

The following House order was considered, and, pending the question on the adoption thereof, in concurrence, the further consideration of the order was, at the request of Mr. Southwick, postponed until to-morrow, to wit:—

*Ordered*, That a joint special committee be appointed, State printing. to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and seven members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and examine into the present method of awarding the State printing and executing the contract for the same; also the advisability of establishing a printing office, owned and controlled by the Commonwealth, for the purpose of doing the State printing; hear such evidence as may be submitted after public notice of the time and place of the committee's meetings; investigate the methods of carrying on State owned and controlled printing offices in other States of the Union, by procuring documents and reports in relation thereto; and, if deemed desirable, employ an expert accountant to examine books and charges for printing work.

Said committee shall report fully and in print to the next General Court the result of their investigation, together with such recommendations in relation thereto as may seem proper to be made.

Said committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who shall also furnish all the necessary stationery and postage; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the committee; and the members thereof shall be paid such compensation and allowed such expenditures as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The following House order was considered, the main question being on the adoption thereof, in concurrence, to wit:—

*Ordered*, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature, Gas companies, investigation of business relations between. within twenty days from the passage of this order, as follows:—

1. As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

2. As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

3. As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purpose of this order, the Commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

Mr. McEttrick moved that the order be amended by inserting, before the word "Legislature," the word "next;" by striking out the words "within twenty days from the passage of this order," and inserting in place thereof the words "on or before the last Wednesday in January;" by striking out, in the last paragraph, after the word "papers," the word "and;" and by adding, at the end of the order, the words "and to administer oaths to such witnesses."

The pending amendment, moved by Mr. McNary, to substitute for the House order the following new order, was considered, to wit:—

Gas companies,  
investigation  
of business  
relations be-  
tween.

*Ordered*, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners is hereby instructed to make definite report to the next General Court, on or before the first Wednesday of February, upon the expediency, in the interest of the public, of a consolidation or union of the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware, and in relation to the sale or transfer of the property and franchises of such corporations to a consolidated corporation, and submit, if deemed expedient, a plan for such consolidation; and said board is further instructed to report the fair market value of the plants of such corporations, the selling prices and qualities of gas of such corporations compared with the selling prices and qualities in the principal Atlantic seaboard cities of the country, and the relative cost of materials for the manufacture of gas by these corporations, and such

other facts and recommendations as it may deem proper respecting the expediency of such consolidation in the interest of the public. For the purpose of making such report the said Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners shall have and may exercise all the powers given them by the general laws of the Commonwealth.

Mr. McEttrick rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that the pending substitute, moved by Mr. McNary, was not germane to the House order. Point of order.

Pending the decision by the Chair on the point of order, the further consideration of the order was, on motion of Mr. Smith, postponed until to-morrow.

The following Senate order was considered, to wit:—

*Ordered*, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature, within ten days from the passage of this order, as follows:— Gas companies, investigation of business relations between.

1. As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

2. As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

3. As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purposes of this order, the Commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

Pending the question on the adoption of the order, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McNary, postponed until to-morrow.

The Bill relating to the taking of land for a city hall for the city of Boston, was considered, the question being on ordering the same to a third reading. On motion of Mr. McNary, the bill was amended by striking out section 1, and inserting in place thereof the following new section, to wit:— Boston, city of,  
—city hall.

“*Section 1.* The city of Boston may, within one year after the passage of this act, by vote of the city council, approved by the mayor of said city, take in fee by pur-

chase or otherwise such land in said city as may be specified in said vote, for a city hall and for open ground adjoining the same, and shall within sixty days after the taking of any land as aforesaid, otherwise than by purchase, cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the county of Suffolk, a description of the land so taken, as certain as is required in a common conveyance of land, together with a statement that the same is taken under the authority of this act, which description and statement shall be signed by the mayor of said city; *provided, however*, that if land is taken for said city hall on Beacon Street, the grade of said street between Joy Street and Somerset Street shall not be changed; and *provided further*, that the total of all the land taken for said purpose shall not exceed two million dollars in value, as assessed for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one. The fee of any land so taken shall vest in said city, and said city shall pay to all persons whose property is taken, the damages which they shall sustain by such taking."

The question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, was then determined as follows, to wit:—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Hickox, Stephen A.

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Mott, Edward  
Provin, William  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 19.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Dame, Luther  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry

Messrs. Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 13.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. Christopher C. Merritt (present),  
Mr. Henry A. Kimball,  
Mr. James W. McDonald (present),

## NAYS.

Mr. William F. Ray.  
Mr. William E. Meade (present).  
Mr. John Simpkins — 6.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Robert Howard. — 1.

So the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

## The bills

To prevent corrupt practices in elections and to provide for publicity of election expenses ; Bills.

Relating to pensioning members of the police department of cities containing seventy-five thousand inhabitants ;

To authorize the Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad Company to extend its tracks across Lake Quinsigamond ;

To enable the towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools ;

To incorporate the city of Everett ;

Concerning the assessment of damages for property taken by the city of Fall River under the provisions of the act authorizing said city to take land for the better protection of its water supply ;

To authorize the city of Boston to acquire Jamaica Pond and Ward's Pond for a public park ; and

To enable the towns of Dennis and Yarmouth to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill to incorporate the South Berkshire Mountain Club, was considered and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. House bill.

The House Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate. Mr. Clark moved that the bill be amended, by striking out, in section 1, line 1, the word "hereafter" (which was, yesterday, inserted by amendment, by the Senate), and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit : — Safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
McDonald, James W.

Messrs. Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Thayer, John R.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 15.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McEttrick, Michael J.

Messrs. McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Southwick, B. Frank. — 14.

## PAIRED.

## YEA.

## NAY.

Mr. John Read (Middlesex) (present), Mr. William F. Ray. — 2.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dame, Luther  
Drury, John E.  
Howard, Robert  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Provin, William  
Simpkins, John  
Stevens, Eben S. — 8.

Safe deposit,  
loan and trust  
companies.

So the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Carberry moved that the bill be amended in section 3, lines 1 and 2, by striking out the words "upon its passage," and inserting in place thereof the words "on the first day of July in the year 1892," and this amendment was adopted, by a vote of 13 to 6.

On motion of Mr. West, the bill was further amended by striking out, at the end of section 1, the words "*provided*, that nothing herein contained shall apply to any such company now receiving such deposit or certificate, or account representing such deposit or deposits, and paying interest thereon" (which were, yesterday, added by amendment, by the Senate). The question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, in concurrence, was then determined as follows, to wit: —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Clark, Wilder P.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 18.

YAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Coveney, John W.

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Southwick, B. Frank.— 12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Dame, Luther  
Drury, John E.  
Howard, Robert  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Provin, William  
Ray, William F.  
Simpkins, John.— 9.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments.

The House bills

In relation to the detention of material witnesses in House bills. cases of felony;

To repeal chapter 331 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled: "An Act to supply the town of Methuen with water;"

To incorporate the Massachusetts Real Estate Company of Lowell; and

Relating to naturalization in the inferior courts;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report, of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill to amend an act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth, and the cities thereof (introduced on leave in the House), was accepted. Senate report.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Insurance, reference to the next General Court, on Part I. of the 37th annual report of the Insurance Commissioner relating to fire and marine insurance, was accepted, in concurrence. House report.

On motion of Mr. Champlin, at eighteen minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, May 25, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Report of a Committee.*

State Board of  
Health, — room  
for laboratory.

By Mr. Reade of Suffolk, from the committee on State House, on an order, a Resolve providing for leasing and furnishing a room to be used as a laboratory by the State Board of Health ;

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

*Opinion of the Attorney-General.*

The following opinion was received from the Attorney-General, and was read and placed on file, to wit : —

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT,  
COMMONWEALTH BUILDING,  
BOSTON, May 24, 1892.

*To the Honorable the President of the Senate.*

Voters, regis-  
tration of.

In compliance with the request of the honorable Senate in its order of May 18, I return my opinion upon the constitutionality of Senate Bill No. 216, entitled : "An Act relating to the registration of voters." I assume that the provisions of the bill which are principally in question are those of sections 14 and 15, and of sections 7, 8, 10 and 11 so far as they are incidental to the purposes of sections 14 and 15.

The Legislature cannot impose upon the voter any qualification, as a condition of the right to vote, beyond those expressly prescribed by the Constitution ; but it may provide, by reasonable and uniform regulations, for the registration of voters in advance of the election, and for the exclusion from the right to vote of any not so registered. The present bill does not impose, or attempt to impose, any additional qualifications upon the voter. The sections in question relate only to registration and to the



ascertainment of the qualifications of the voter for the purpose of registration ; and the only question is, whether they are reasonable and uniform regulations for this purpose.

The doubtful provision is that which requires the registrars to carry over to the register of the current year from that of the preceding year, without farther inquiry, the names of all who paid a tax in the preceding year and are assessed for a poll tax in the current year, if identified. This has the effect to favor, in the convenience or facility of registration, those who are assessed and have paid a tax, although assessment and payment of a tax have ceased to be a qualification of the voter. Such a regulation can be sustained only if it is a necessary or reasonable regulation for the purpose in view ; and this is largely a question for the judgment of the Legislature.

The Legislature may consider that different cases arising in registration may be or must be differently dealt with ; that more evidence may reasonably be required of one voter than of another of whom more is known ; that one who has paid a tax may reasonably be favored, to some extent, in the convenience of registration ; that one of whom certain facts tending to establish citizenship appear by the public records may reasonably be excused from presenting himself before the registrars, while another, of whom these facts do not appear, may reasonably be required to establish his right ; that the fact of assessment and payment of a tax will aid the registrars, as evidence, in determining the identity and the domicil of the voter, which they must determine ; or even that these facts may reasonably be declared to be sufficient *prima facie* evidence to warrant the keeping of a name upon the register, in the absence of objection. This is in line with section 23, which expressly provides that the registrars may receive a tax bill or collector's notice, or a certificate of assessment, as *prima facie* evidence of residence in the place and for the time required by law of a voter. The Legislature may also consider that between the two extreme courses of carrying over the entire list from one year to the next, or wiping out the entire list at the end of each year, either of which it may regard as objectionable, but one of which must be done if all are to be treated exactly alike, there may be some middle ground on which the registrars may be reasonably required to go in determining what names shall be carried over ; and it

may consider that the rule prescribed by the bill is a convenient and reasonable rule. All these questions are for the consideration and judgment of the Legislature, but the legislative judgment must be reasonably exercised. It is to be remembered that some difference in the mode of dealing with different cases does not necessarily amount to discrimination, or violate the requirement of uniformity, in the legal sense. It is to be observed, also, that the bill does not make the assessment or payment of a tax a condition of the right to be registered, which would be clearly objectionable. It leaves any voter free to present himself and establish his right to be registered, without any evidence of or reference to taxation.

The provision which makes the payment of a tax an essential part of the evidence for keeping a voter upon the list must be said to approach, if it does not reach, the line of objectionable discrimination. But taking the question as a bare question of legislative power, apart from any question of expediency, and with all presumptions in favor of the bill which the law requires to be made in favor of the acts of the Legislature, it cannot be declared in advance that these provisions for the regulation of registration are clearly in violation of the Constitution; or, in view of the latitude which is permitted to legislative discretion, that they are clearly beyond the power of the Legislature to enact.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

A. E. PILLSBURY,  
*Attorney-General.*

#### *Reconsideration.*

Safe deposit,  
loan and trust  
companies.

On motion of Mr. Baker, the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the House Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies,—was reconsidered. The same Senator moved that the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, amended the bill by striking out, in section 1, line 1, the word “hereafter” (which had, at a previous session, been inserted by amendment, by the Senate),—be reconsidered, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Carberry, William H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Drury, John E.  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. McNary, William S.  
Meade, William F.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Provin, William  
Ray, William F.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Southwick, B. Frank — 18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R.  
West, William H. — 14.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Howard, Robert  
McDonald, James W.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Simpkins, John  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 7.

So the motion to reconsider prevailed. On the recurring question, the amendment, striking out the word "hereafter," was rejected, by a vote of 6 to 16. The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to amend section 5 of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the Ballot Law Commission (being a new draft of the Senate Bill in relation to witnesses at hearings on questions concerning the nomination of State officers, and fixing the compensation of Ballot Law Commissioners), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

A Bill to require each railroad corporation to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon all railroad lines in this Commonwealth (on a Bill relating to mileage tickets, introduced on leave in the House, and the petitions of I. P. Hutchinson and others) (Mr. Raymond, of the Senate, dissenting), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Ballot Law Commission.

Railroads, — interchangeable mileage tickets.

## Reports

## Public parks.

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to so amending chapter 154 of the Acts of the year 1882, entitled: "An Act authorizing towns and cities to lay out public parks within their limits," as to provide that the mayor and city council of cities may have the power to grant the use of the parks to such person and for such purposes as the mayor and city council may deem expedient;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate:

## Election officers in towns.

On the order relative to amending chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to elections, so as to provide that fewer election officers may be required at the polling places in small towns divided into polling precincts;

## Ballots, marking of.

On the order relative to requiring and providing a stencil device to be used by voters in marking their ballots, instead of the cross as now required, to the end that a duplication of marks by dishonest counters may be prevented; and

## Id.

On the order relative to requiring the State to furnish, and voters to use, in marking their ballots, some peculiar or special pencil, stamp or punch;

## Railroads, — 500-mile tickets at mileage rates.

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. E. Woods and others for such legislation as will compel railroads to sell 500-mile tickets at mileage rates; and

## Executive mansion.

Of the committee on State House, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to appropriating a certain sum of money wherewith to buy or build a residence adjoining the State House to be used by the Governor of the Commonwealth as an executive mansion;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

## Sailors and marines, enlistment of.

The Senate Resolve in favor of the officers, sailors and marines who served in the United States navy during the War of the Rebellion and were residents of this Commonwealth at the time of their enlistment, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, inserting, in line 12, before the word "enlistment," the words "such appointments or." On motion of Mr. Clark, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended and the amendment was forthwith considered and adopted, in concurrence.

*House Petition.*

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules on a House petition of the city of Chicopee for authority to take an additional water supply; and the same was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

*House Order.*

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence :—

*Ordered*, That the committee on Cities be granted until Friday, May 27, to consider matters now before them.

Cities, committee on.

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The following House order (the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday), was considered; and, pending the question on the adoption thereof, in concurrence, it was, on motion of Mr. Southwick, laid on the table, to wit:—

*Ordered*, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and seven members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and examine into the present method of awarding the State printing and executing the contract for the same; also the advisability of establishing a printing office, owned and controlled by the Commonwealth, for the purpose of doing the State printing; hear such evidence as may be submitted after public notice of the time and place of the committee's meetings; investigate the methods of carrying on State owned and controlled printing offices in other States of the Union, by procuring documents and reports in relation thereto; and, if deemed desirable, employ an expert accountant to examine books and charges for printing work.

State printing.

Said committee shall report fully and in print to the next General Court the result of their investigation, together with such recommendations in relation thereto as may seem proper to be made.

Said committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who shall also furnish all the necessary stationery and postage; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the committee; and the members thereof shall be paid such compensation and allowed such expenditures as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

Bills.

Authorizing the town of Bridgewater to lay out a highway over a portion of the land of the Bridgewater Normal School; and

In relation to the employment of children;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Election laws,  
consolidation  
of.

The Resolve providing for consolidating and arranging the laws relating to elections, was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury, by striking out the words "Said commissioners," and inserting in place thereof the words: "The terms of office of said commissioners shall expire on the first Wednesday of February, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three, and they," and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Massachusetts  
Agricultural  
College, —  
Durfee Plant  
House.

The Senate Resolve providing for a new tool house and for rebuilding the Durfee Plant House at the Massachusetts Agricultural College, was considered and amended, on motion of Mr. Merritt, by striking out, in line 3, the word "six" (previously inserted, by amendment), and inserting in place thereof the word "eight;" by striking out, in line 8, the word "one" (previously inserted, by amendment), and inserting in place thereof the word "two;" and by striking out, in line 11, the word "five" (previously inserted, by amendment), and inserting in place thereof the word "six."

The resolve, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Employers and  
employees,  
differences  
between.

The House Bill relative to the settlement of differences between employers and their employees, was read a third

time. Mr. Fernald, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by the substitution of a new draft, entitled: "An Act relating to the duties and compensation of expert assistants appointed by the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation." The report was accepted, the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

#### The House bills

To authorize the towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and House bills.

To authorize the towns of Dennis and Yarmouth to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, in each case, on motion of Mr. Southwick.

#### The House bills

To incorporate the city of Everett;

Id.

Relating to the assessment of damages for property taken by the city of Fall River for the better protection of its water supply (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

To authorize the city of Boston to take Jamaica Pond and Ward's Pond for a public park (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The following House order was considered, the main question being on the adoption thereof, in concurrence: —

*Ordered*, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature, within twenty days from the passage of this order, as follows: — Gas companies,  
— investigation  
of certain business relations.

1. As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts,

and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

2. As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

3. As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purposes of this order, the Commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

On the point of order, raised by Mr. McEttrick, that the pending order, moved by Mr. McNary as a substitute, was not germane to the House order which it was proposed to amend, the President ruled as follows:—

Ruling by  
President.

The order received from the House contemplates an inquiry by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners and a report by them upon three specified propositions: *first*, as to the nature and extent of the business relations existing between certain corporations named; *second*, as to the cost of the manufacture of gas by one of said corporations; and *third*, as to the actual cost of land, buildings, etc., of the corporation alluded to in the second clause. The order moved as a substitute not only contemplates an examination into the affairs of the corporations named in the House order, but also directs an inquiry into the wisdom or expediency of consolidating such companies, or of transferring their property and franchises to a consolidated corporation. It also provides for an inquiry into the cost of gas and the materials for its manufacture in the principal Atlantic seaboard cities of the country, and a comparison thereof with the figures obtained from an investigation of the affairs of the corporations in question. The order offered as an amendment to the pending House order, introducing, as it does, a subject-matter foreign to the purposes of the latter, is within the prohibition of Senate Rule No 48, which provides that "no motion or proposition of a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under the color of an amendment." It might be contended that the provisions of the rule in question, when applied to amendments to an order of inquiry, should not be as strictly construed as in the case



of amendments to a bill or to a final report of a committee. In some instances that may be true ; but the order under consideration is a House order directing certain inquiries to be made by a board under the control of the Legislature. The adoption of the order would be a final action. No legislation is required to be enacted and no action other than an affirmative vote of the Legislature is needed to give it validity and empower the board to pursue the desired inquiry. It is undoubtedly within the power of the Legislature to order any commission created by it to pursue such inquiry, within the scope of its powers, as, in the judgment of the Legislature, will promote the public welfare. If the order, moved as an amendment by the Senator from Suffolk, stood alone as an original proposition it might be acted upon ; but treated as an amendment to an order, more limited in its scope, which has been adopted by the other branch, the Chair is of the opinion that it must be deemed to be within the prohibition of the Senate rule quoted ; and therefore rules that the point of order is well taken, and that the amendment must be laid aside.

The pending amendments, moved by Mr. McEttrick, inserting, in line 2, before the word " Legislature," the word " next ;" striking out, in lines 2 and 3, the words " within twenty days from the passage of this order," and inserting in place thereof the words " on or before the last Wednesday in January ;" striking out, in the last paragraph, after the word " papers," the word " and ;" and also adding at the end of the order, the words " and to administer oaths to such witnesses," — were severally adopted.

Mr. Baker moved that the order be indefinitely postponed, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit : —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Ray, William F.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 22.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
 Champlin, Arthur B.  
 Clark, Wilder P.  
 McEttrick, Michael J.  
 Merritt, Christopher C.

Messrs. Provin, William  
 Read, John (Middlesex)  
 Smith, Sidney P.  
 Stevens, Eben S.  
 Thayer, John R — 10.

## PAIRED.

## YEA.

Mr. William M. Butler,

## NAY.

Mr. Isaac N. Nutter (present). — 2.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dame, Luther  
 Hickox, Stephen A.  
 Parkman, Henry

Messrs. Raymond, Francis H.  
 Simpkins, John — 5.

So the motion to indefinitely postpone prevailed.

The following Senate order was considered, the question being on the adoption thereof:—

Gas companies,  
 — investigation  
 of certain busi-  
 ness relations.

*Ordered*, That the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners make a special report to the Legislature, within ten days from the passage of this order, as follows:—

1. As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State Gas Companies of Massachusetts, and the Bay State Gas Companies of New Jersey and Delaware.

2. As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts.

3. As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued.

For the purposes of this order, the Commissioners are empowered to send for books and papers and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

Point of order.

Mr. Champlin rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that the order should not be entertained for the reason that the subject-matter thereof was the same as that of the preceding order, upon which the Senate had taken action that was equivalent to a final rejection.

Ruling by  
 President.

On the point of order, the President ruled as follows:—

The adoption of a motion to indefinitely postpone a matter under discussion is, in its effect, equivalent to an

adverse vote upon the main question, and permanently removes it from the consideration of the assembly. A proposition which is indefinitely postponed must therefore be considered as finally rejected, within the meaning of Senate Rule No. 52, which provides that "when any measure has been finally rejected, no measure substantially the same shall be introduced by any committee or member during the session." The order now before the Senate is couched in almost the exact language of the House order which the Senate finally rejected by ordering its indefinite postponement. It may, perhaps, be claimed that the provisions of Senate Rule No. 52 do not apply to a measure which was introduced *before* the final rejection of one substantially the same; but the fact that, prior to the indefinite postponement of an order, another order, practically identical with the first, was presented, and, pending the question on its adoption, was laid on the table and subsequently taken from the table and assigned a place in the Orders of the Day, does not constitute the *introduction* of a measure within the meaning of the rule in question, the latter order having merely been *received*, and not acted upon. The Chair rules that the point of order is well taken, and the order is laid aside.

On motion of Mr. McNary, at eighteen minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, May 26, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Volunteer  
militia.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill relative to the volunteer militia, ought to pass, with an amendment, striking out, in section 2, the words "and for every four companies of any regiment so changed there shall be one unmounted battalion adjutant with the rank of second lieutenant, and one sergeant-major, each of whom shall be appointed by the colonel upon the recommendation of the major commanding said companies" (as inserted by the House) ;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

Boston, city of,  
— highways.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on three orders, a Bill relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston ;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Boston, city of,  
— streets.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to authorizing the superintendent of streets for the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor or the board of aldermen of the said city, to construct or repair any street or portion of a street, or furnish the same with sidewalks, edgestones, water pipes or sewers, upon the petition of the owner or owners of land on said street or portion of a street ; the expense thereof to be defrayed out of the loans authorized by chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and to be defrayed by the owner or owners of said land in the manner provided by said act ;

Id.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing that in the city of Boston, on the petition of the

owner of an estate abutting on a street, the superintendent of streets for the city of Boston may grade and macadamize or pave or otherwise surface such street, or a part thereof specified in the petition, as he may deem proper or as the board of aldermen may provide, the expense of the same to be paid from the proceeds of loans such as are provided for in section 1 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and be repaid to said city as the assessable cost of constructing streets is to be paid under the provisions of the said chapter;

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that no public way shall be laid out, altered, widened or discontinued in the city of Boston without the approval of the board of survey and the mayor of said city; and

By the same Senator, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to consolidating the board of street commissioners with the board of survey of the city of Boston, and giving such consolidated department the powers now held by the board of street commissioners, and such other powers as the city council may determine;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

### *Introduced on Leave.*

Mr. Mott (on leave, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule) introduced a Resolve relative to an exhibit of road making and road-making machinery at the World's Columbian Exposition; and the same was read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Sent down for concurrence.

### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to amend an act, entitled: "An Act to incorporate the Stoughton Water Company" (on the petition of the selectmen of said town), was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Ray, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act relative to supplying the town of Stoughton with water."

Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Ray.

Boston, city of,  
—laying out of  
public ways.

Boston, city of,  
—street com-  
missioners and  
board of survey.

Road making,  
exhibit of, at  
the World's  
Columbian  
Exposition.

Stoughton  
Water Com-  
pany.

## Bills

Fall River, city  
of, — streets,  
sewers and  
schoolhouses.

Authorizing the city of Fall River to borrow money for street improvements, sewers and the erection of school-houses beyond the limit fixed by law (on the petition of the mayor of said city) ; and

Liens on build-  
ings and land.

To amend the laws relating to liens on buildings and land (on an order) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

## Reports

Political parties.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William H. Partridge and others for legislation which shall better define the basis upon which the percentage of the total vote cast by a political party shall be reckoned in determining whether such party has cast three per cent. of the total vote (Mr. McEttrick, of the Senate, dissenting) ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate :

Election  
officers.

On the order relative to amending section 75 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by increasing the number of regular election officers and decreasing the number of deputy officers ; by extending the time for filling vacancies in such offices until the first day of December ; by providing that no deputy officer shall serve in place of a regular officer at any election, unless the principal for whom he was appointed deputy is absent at the opening of the polls, and that such deputy shall then serve the entire day ; also amending section 78 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by extending the time for the removal of election officers to the day set for closing registration of voters for the annual town and city elections ;

Id.

On the order relative to changing the method of appointing and paying election officers or providing for the counting of all ballots cast in cities at one point ; and

Ballots, count-  
ing of.

On the order relative to providing that all ballots cast at national, State, municipal or town elections be counted by officers other than those who receive the same at the various polling places ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Voters, regis-  
tration of.

The Senate Bill relating to the registration of voters, was read a third time. Mr. Fernald, from the committee

on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended, by striking out, in section 51, lines 18 and 19, the words "two hundred and forty-three," and inserting in place thereof the words "four hundred and twenty-three." This amendment was adopted. Mr. Parkman moved that the bill be further amended by the substitution of a new draft, with the same title. Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Parkman, postponed until to-morrow.

The Bill to restrict the sale of intoxicating liquor by innholders and common victuallers, was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Gilman, postponed until Wednesday, June 1.

Intoxicating  
liquor, sale of,  
by innholders.

The Bill to require each railroad corporation to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon all railroad lines in this Commonwealth, was read a second time; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Ray, postponed until Thursday, June 2.

Interchangeable  
mileage tickets.

The Senate Bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and to provide for publicity of election expenses, was read a third time; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Parkman, postponed until Tuesday, May 31, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

Election ex-  
penses, pub-  
licity of.

The House Bill to authorize the Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad Company to extend its tracks across Lake Quinsigamond, was read a third time; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McDonald, postponed until to-morrow.

Worcester and  
Shrewsbury  
Railroad Com-  
pany.

The Senate Bill relating to pensioning members of the police department of cities containing not less than seventy-five thousand inhabitants (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time, amended, on motion of Mr. Parkman, by inserting, in section 1, line 2, after the word

Police officers,  
pensioning of,  
in certain cases.

“containing,” the words “not less than,” and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Boston, city of,  
—land for city  
hall.

The Senate Bill relating to the taking of land for a city hall for the city of Boston, was read a third time, as previously amended; and the question on passing the same to be engrossed was determined as follows, to wit:—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Drury, John E.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Provin, William  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Stevens, Eben S.—15.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry

Messrs. Ray, William F.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F.—8.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. Christopher C. Merritt (present),  
Mr. John W. Coveney (present),  
Mr. William N. Eaton (present),  
Mr. John R. Thayer (present),

## NAYS.

Mr. William E. Meade.  
Mr. B. Frank Southwick.  
Mr. John Simpkins.  
Mr. Sidney P. Smith.—8.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther

Messrs. Fernald, B. Marvin  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Shaw, Edward P.—8.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Bridgewater to lay out a highway over a portion of the land of the Bridgewater Normal School; and

Senate resolve.

The Senate Resolve providing for consolidating and arranging the laws relating to elections (as previously amended);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

House bill.

The House Bill in relation to the employment of children, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.



**The House reports**

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on **House reports.** the order relative to so amending chapter 154 of the Acts of the year 1882, entitled: "An Act authorizing towns and cities to lay out public parks within their limits," as to provide that the mayor and city council of cities may have the power to grant the use of the parks to such persons and for such purposes as the mayor and city council may deem expedient;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to elections, so as to provide that fewer election officers may be required at the polling places in small towns divided into polling precincts;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring and providing a stencil device to be used by voters in marking their ballots, instead of the cross as now required, to the end that a duplication of marks by dishonest counters may be prevented;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring the State to furnish, and voters to use in marking their ballots, some peculiar or special pencil, stamp or punch;

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. E. Woods and others for such legislation as will compel railroads to sell 500-mile tickets at mileage rates; and

Of the committee on State House, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to appropriating a certain sum of money wherewith to buy or build a residence adjoining the State House to be used by the Governor of the Commonwealth as an executive mansion;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ray, at four minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, May 27, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Ballot Law  
Commission.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill to amend section 5 of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the Ballot Law Commission, ought to pass ; and

State Board of  
Health, rooms  
for.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for leasing and furnishing a room to be used as a laboratory by the State Board of Health, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next for a second reading.

Whitman, town  
of, — electric  
lighting.

By Mr. Thayer, from the committee on Towns, on the petition of the selectmen and others of the town of Whitman, a Bill to authorize the town of Whitman to take land and water rights in the town of East Bridgewater for an electric light plant and to furnish electric light to the last-named town ;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next for a second reading.

Boston, city of,  
— pensions.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation permitting the city to appropriate money for pensions (Messrs. Rosnosky and McEvoy, of the House, dissenting) ; and

Boston, city of,  
— boulevard  
from Jeffries  
Street to Wood  
Island Park.

By the same Senator, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said city to borrow, outside the debt limit, five hundred thousand dollars, for the construction of a boulevard from Jeffries Street to Wood Island Park ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. Clark, the Senate Resolve in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes, was taken from the table; and, pending the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until Tuesday, May 31.

New England  
Industrial  
School for  
Deaf Mutes.

On motion of Mr. Clark, the House Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, was taken from the table; and, pending the question on passing the resolve to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until Tuesday, May 31.

Massachusetts  
Charitable Eye  
and Ear  
Infirmary.

On motion of Mr. Wyer, the Senate Bill to establish Fire District No. 1 in the town of Webster, was taken from the table; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until Tuesday, May 31.

Webster, town  
of, — Fire  
District No. 1.

*Reconsideration.*

Mr. McDonald moved that the vote by which the Senate, on Thursday, March 3, non-concurred with the House in the suspension of the 12th joint rule, on a petition of the clerk of the overseers of the poor of the town of Natick that said town may be reimbursed the sum of \$32.04 on account of the board of Sarah E. Bowker at the Worcester Lunatic Hospital, — be reconsidered, and further moved a suspension of Senate Rule No. 51, in order that this motion might be entertained. There being no objection, the rule was suspended, and the motion to reconsider was entertained and prevailed. On the recurring question, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Natick, town  
of, — Sarah E.  
Bowker.

*Petition.*

Mr. Merritt presented a petition of the Prohibition State Central Committee that such amendment be made to the ballot laws as will provide that a party whose average vote for all State officers equals three per cent. of the average total vote cast, shall have all the rights and privi-

Political par-  
ties, — rights  
and privileges  
in making  
nominations.

leges in making nominations that are now given to a party that casts three per cent. of the vote for Governor; or else, that a political party that has maintained a State organization for five successive years shall have all rights and privileges that are now given a party casting three per cent. of the vote for Governor, — and moved a suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Thayer, John R. — 13.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Nichols, George K.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 16.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Coveney, John W.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.

Messrs. Mott, Edward  
Ray, William F.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Stevens, Eben S. — 10.

So the Senate refused to suspend the rule, and the petition was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

Adjournment.

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns to-day it adjourn to meet on Tuesday next.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Bills

Collectors of  
taxes, accounts  
and records of.

In relation to the accounts and records of collectors of taxes (substituted by the House for the Senate report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on the fourth report

of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties);

To prevent the fraudulent marking of ballots during and subsequent to elections (on an order);

Ballots, fraudulent marking of.

To provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (being a new draft of the Senate bill with the same title); and

Chronic insane, asylum for.

To authorize the city of Brockton to take lands for sewerage purposes in the town of West Bridgewater (on the petition of said city); and

Brockton, city of, — sewerage system in West Bridgewater.

A Resolve providing for altering, improving and the perpetual care of the burial lot of Governor William Eustis in the town of Lexington (being a new draft of the Senate Resolve providing for altering and improving the burial lot of Governor William Eustis in the town of Lexington);

Governor William Eustis, grave of, in town of Lexington.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Tuesday next for a second reading.

The Senate Bill to provide for the establishment of city governments, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, inserting before the word "The," at the beginning of Article 10, form 2, the words "The city council shall be composed of two branches, one of which shall be called the board of aldermen and the other the common council." On motion of Mr. Parkman, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended and the amendment was forthwith considered and adopted, in concurrence.

City governments, establishment of.

### *House Petition, etc.*

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of the sheriff of Dukes County, the chairman of the selectmen of Edgartown and others, citizens of said town, for legislation allowing the appointment of an additional trial justice for Dukes County; and the same was returned to the House for its action.

Dukes County, county of, — additional trial justice.

The following House remonstrances were severally referred, in concurrence:—

Remonstrances of Elijah R. Reade and others; and Daniel Brown and others, — severally, against any legislation providing for a terminal station of the Boston and Providence Railroad at any other place in Boston than Park Square;

Boston and Providence Railroad, — terminal station in Boston.

Severally to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit:—

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

- Relating to peddling by minors ;
- In relation to enforcing the liability of shareholders in trust companies ;
- To incorporate the Fall River Real Estate Association ;
- To authorize the Naukeag Water Company to increase its water supply ;
- To authorize the city of Chelsea to take certain land in said city for a park way ;
- To provide a penalty for intimidating laborers ;
- To revise the charter of the city of Lowell ;
- To incorporate the city of Medford ;
- To incorporate the Medfield Water Company ;
- To incorporate the Willimansett Water Company ;
- To secure greater secrecy of the ballot when a voter is challenged ; and
- To establish the salaries of the justices of the Superior Court.

Resolve passed,  
etc.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Harry W. Welch (which originated in the House), was passed, and, with the above-named bills, was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Bills.

- The bills
- Relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston ; and
- Authorizing the city of Fall River to borrow money for street improvements, sewers, and the erection of school-houses beyond the limit fixed by law ;
- Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Volunteer  
militia.

The Bill relative to the volunteer militia, was read a second time ; and, pending the amendment recommended by the committee on the Treasury, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Clark, postponed until Tuesday, May 31.

The Bill to amend the laws relating to liens on buildings and land, was read a second time ; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Fernald, postponed until Thursday, June 2.

Liens on buildings and land.

The Senate Bill relating to the registration of voters, was considered. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Parkman, to substitute therefor a new draft with the same title, was adopted, and the bill, as thus amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Voters, registration of.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to authorize the Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad Company to extend its tracks across Lake Quinsigamond, was considered, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House bill.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to authorizing the superintendent of streets for the city of Boston, with the approval of the mayor or the board of aldermen of the said city, to construct or repair any street or portion of a street, or furnish the same with sidewalks, edgestones, water pipes or sewers, upon the petition of the owner or owners of land on said street or portion of a street ; the expense thereof to be defrayed out of the loans authorized by chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and to be defrayed by the owner or owners of said land in the manner provided by said act ;

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing that in the city of Boston, on the petition of the owner of an estate abutting on a street, the superintendent of streets for the city of Boston may grade and macadamize or pave or otherwise surface such street, or a part thereof specified in the petition, as he may deem proper or as the board of aldermen may provide, the expense of the same to be paid from the proceeds of loans such as are provided for in section 1 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and be repaid to said city as the assessable cost of constructing streets is to be paid under the provisions of the said chapter ;

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that no public way shall be laid out, altered, widened, or discontinued in the city

of Boston without the approval of the board of survey and the mayor of said city ; and

*Senate report.*

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to consolidating the board of street commissioners with the board of survey of the city of Boston, and giving such consolidated department the powers now held by the board of street commissioners, and such other powers as the city council may determine ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

*House reports.*

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William H. Partridge and others for legislation which shall better define the basis upon which the percentage of the total vote cast by a political party shall be reckoned in determining whether such party has cast three per cent. of the total vote ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 75 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by increasing the number of regular election officers and decreasing the number of deputy officers ; by extending the time for filling vacancies in such offices until the first day of December ; by providing that no deputy officer shall serve in place of a regular officer at any election, unless the principal for whom he was appointed deputy is absent at the opening of the polls, and that such deputy shall then serve the entire day ; also amending section 78 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by extending the time for the removal of election officers to the day set for closing registration of voters for the annual town and city elections ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to changing the method of appointing and paying election officers or providing for the counting of all ballots cast in cities at one point ; and

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to providing that all ballots cast at national, State, municipal or town elections be counted by officers other than those who receive the same at various polling places ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at six minutes before twelve o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Tuesday next at two o'clock P.M.



TUESDAY, May 31, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill in relation to proof of claims under life policies, and providing certain penalties (on an order and the petition of Charles P. Stockwell), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Life insurance,  
— proof of  
claims.

A Report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the 13th annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

State Board of  
Lunacy and  
Charity, report  
of.

*Bills Enacted.*

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:—

Relating to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency;

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

To provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records;

To establish a commission to improve the highways of this Commonwealth;

To permit the sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of April in each year; and

Making appropriations for the World's Columbian Exposition, for the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates, and for certain other expenses authorized by law.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and to provide for publicity of election expenses, was

Election ex-  
penses, publica-  
tion of.

considered, the question being on passing the same to be engrossed. Mr. Thayer moved that the bill be amended by the substitution of a "Bill to secure the publication of election expenses." Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of the same Senator, postponed until to-morrow.

Webster, town  
of, — Fire Dis-  
trict No. 1.

The Bill to establish Fire District No. 1 in the town of Webster, was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Stevens, postponed until to-morrow.

Volunteer  
militia.

The Bill relative to the volunteer militia, was considered, the main question being on ordering the same to a third reading. The pending amendment, recommended by the committee on the Treasury, to strike out, in section 2, the words "and for every four companies of any regiment so changed there shall be one unmounted battalion adjutant with the rank of second lieutenant, and one sergeant-major, each of whom shall be appointed by the colonel upon the recommendation of the major commanding said companies" (which had been inserted by the House), — was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, the bill was further amended, by inserting, in section 3, at the beginning of line 10, and in the same section, line 29, after the words "to rank as sergeants," the words "and two color guard" (which had been stricken out by the House); by inserting in the same section, lines 10 and 30, after the word "orderly," in each case, the word "each" (which had been stricken out by the House); by inserting, in section 6, lines 18 and 49, after the word "sergeants," in each case, the words "color guard" (which had been stricken out by the House); also by inserting, in section 8, lines 8 and 21, before the words "chief bugler," in each case, the words "two color guard" (which had been stricken out by the House). The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Resolve.

The Resolve in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes, was considered and ordered to a third reading.

The bills

To authorize the town of Whitman to take land and water rights in the town of East Bridgewater for an electric light plant and to furnish electric light to the last-named town ; Bills.

In relation to the accounts and records of collectors of taxes ;

To amend section 5 of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the Ballot Law Commission ;

To prevent the fraudulent marking of ballots during and subsequent to elections ;

To provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane ; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to take land for sewerage purposes in the town of West Bridgewater ; and

The resolves

Providing for leasing and furnishing a room to be used as a laboratory by the State Board of Health ; and Resolves.

Providing for altering, improving and the perpetual care of the burial lot of Governor William Eustis in the town of Lexington ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Senate bill.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Fall River to borrow money beyond the limit fixed by law for street improvements, sewers and the erection of school-houses (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. House bill.

The House Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, was considered and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. House resolve.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation permitting the city to appropriate money for pensions ; and Senate report.

**Senate report.**

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said city to borrow, outside the debt limit, five hundred thousand dollars, for the construction of a boulevard from Jeffries Street to Wood Island Park ;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Provin, at twenty-three minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, June 1, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Report of a Committee.*

By Mr. Butler, from the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court (under the provisions of joint rule No. 10), on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the warden of the State Prison.

State Prison,  
warden of.

On motion of the same Senator, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended and the report was forthwith considered. Mr. Butler further moved that the report be amended by the substitution of a "Bill relating to the appointment and removal of the officers of the State Prison at Boston." This amendment was adopted and the bill was substituted, read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Resolve relating to the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties (introduced on leave in the House), was taken from the table, the question being on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the rule and the resolve was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

Commissioner  
on Public  
Records of  
Parishes,  
Towns and  
Counties.

On motion of the same Senator, the House Resolve providing for printing 1,500 extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties, was taken from the table. There being no objection, Mr. Butler withdrew the pending amendment moved by him. The resolve was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Senate reports

Commissioner  
on Public  
Records of  
Parishes,  
Towns and  
Counties.

Of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties; also on the Bill to continue the commission on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties (introduced on leave in the House), and the Bill to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Records (introduced on leave in the House);

Voters, qual-  
ification of.

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to making assessment of a tax within two years a qualification and prerequisite for registration and voting; and

Intoxicating  
liquors, — sixth-  
class licenses.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance of Massachusetts that licenses of the sixth class may be restricted to one to a certain number of inhabitants;

Were severally taken from the table and accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Commissioners  
of Prisons, re-  
port of, on  
State Prison.

On motion of the same Senator, the House Report of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison, was taken from the table and accepted, in concurrence.

Cape Cod  
Canal, —  
Thomas H.  
Bacon *et al.*

On motion of the same Senator, the Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas H. Bacon, Martin P. Kennard and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company, for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay (and sundry petitions in aid thereof), — was taken from the table; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Champlin, postponed until Wednesday, June 8, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

Cape Cod  
Canal, —  
Boston, Cape  
Cod and New  
York Canal  
Company.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Cape Cod Ship Canal Com-

pany for an amendment of the act to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company and of its own charter, — was taken from the table; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Champlin, postponed until Wednesday, June 8, to be placed second in the Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George S. Hall and others for the repeal of the charter of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, or for the grant of a similar charter to said Hall and others, — was taken from the table; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Champlin, postponed until Wednesday, June 8, to be placed third in the Orders of the Day.

Cape Cod  
Canal, —  
George S.  
Hall *et al.*

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Senate Bill providing for the appointment of an inspector of provisions, milk, butter, cheese and vinegar for the city of Lynn, was taken from the table; and the Senate concurred in the adoption of the House amendments thereto — striking out, in section 1, line 6, the word “February,” and inserting in place thereof the word “May;” striking out, in line 7, the word “March,” and inserting in place thereof the word “May;” also inserting, in line 8, after the word “appointed,” the words “and may be removed by said board for cause.”

Lynn, city of,  
— inspector of  
provisions, etc.

On motion of the same Senator, the engrossed Bill for the protection of the water supply of the city of Haverhill, was taken from the table; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Wyer, postponed until to-morrow.

Haverhill, city  
of, — water  
supply.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the following subjects: Inspection of Fish and other articles; Tables and Indexes

State com-  
missions, etc.

relating to the Statutes; Commissioners of Shipwrecked Goods; State Board of Lunacy and Charity; Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations; Commissioners of Public Works; Trustees of Public Institutions; and Trustees of State Primary and Reform Schools, — was taken from the table.

At the request of Mr. Butler, the question on the adoption of the recommendation of the committee, as embodied in the acceptance of the report, was divided, and so much thereof as relates to the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools, — was first considered. Mr. Butler moved that that portion of the report be amended by the substitution of a “Bill relating to the appointment of trustees of the Hospital Cottages for Children.”

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Meade, postponed until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the following House order was taken from the table, to wit: —

State printing.

*Ordered*, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and seven members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and examine into the present method of awarding the State printing and executing the contract for the same; also the advisability of establishing a printing office, owned and controlled by the Commonwealth, for the purpose of doing the State printing; hear such evidence as may be submitted after public notice of the time and place of the committee's meetings; investigate the methods of carrying on State owned and controlled printing offices in other States of the Union, by procuring documents and reports in relation thereto; and, if deemed desirable, employ an expert accountant to examine books and charges for printing work.

Said committee shall report fully and in print to the next General Court the result of their investigation, together with such recommendations in relation thereto as may seem proper to be made.

Said committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who shall also furnish all the necessary stationery and postage; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the com-



mittee; and the members thereof shall be paid such compensation and allowed such expenditures as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the order, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Southwick, postponed until Wednesday, June 8.

*Motion to take from the Table.*

Mr. Smith moved that the Senate Bill to compel the Boston and Maine Railroad Company to furnish suitable depot accommodations at Lynn, be taken from the table, and this motion was negatived.

Lynn, city of, —  
depot on Boston  
and Maine  
Railroad.

*Reconsideration.*

On motion of Mr. Parkman, the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Senate Bill relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston, was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was amended, on further motion of the same Senator, by striking out, in line 89, after the word "no," the word "such." The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Boston, city of,  
— highways.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea bridge and Chelsea bridge avenue, Boston (being a new draft of the Senate Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea bridge); and

Chelsea bridge,  
abolition of  
grade crossings  
on.

A Resolve in relation to the State printing (on the Resolve with the same title, introduced on leave in the House);

State printing.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

*Reports*

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Chelsea for such legislation as will enable said city to revise its ward lines and increase the number of its wards (recommitted);

Chelsea, city of,  
— ward lines.

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the passage of a general law for the incorporation and government of cities;

Cities, general  
law for incor-  
poration and  
government of.

Public build-  
ings, erection  
of, in cities for  
working men  
and women.

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring each city in the Commonwealth to provide, at an expense of not less than \$15,000, a building for working men and women, containing a suitable meeting-hall, reading-rooms, proper arrangements for baths, and rooms for recreation; also providing that the minimum expense of \$15,000 shall be advanced from the treasury of the Commonwealth, and that each city shall be at liberty to appropriate such additional sum as it sees fit, and that upon refunding to the Commonwealth the amount advanced, the city shall become the owner of the building and appointments, otherwise the title of the same to be and remain in the Commonwealth; also providing that in the city of Boston the minimum expenditure shall be \$30,000 and that this sum shall be advanced to said city from the treasury of the Commonwealth;

Paper-mill  
employees,  
hours of labor  
of.

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of James T. Porter and others for the regulation of the hours of labor of paper-mill employees (Messrs. Howard, of the Senate, and Ross, of the House, dissenting); and

Street railway  
companies, —  
cut-off boxes.

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring all street railway companies using the overhead electric system to maintain cut-off boxes at not more than 500 feet apart all along their lines;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Lobsters,  
taking of.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a House Bill relative to the taking of lobsters; and

State Primary  
School at  
Monson.

A House Resolve to provide for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson (which were severally introduced on leave); and the same were severally returned to the House for its action.

Prorogation.

A House Resolution relative to the prorogation of the General Court, was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

### *Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted.

To establish a Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners and to define its powers and duties;

To authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Essex ;

To incorporate the Massachusetts Real Estate Company of Lowell ;

Relating to naturalization in the inferior courts ;

In relation to pensioning members of the fire department of the city of Boston ;

To authorize the towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools ;

To incorporate the South Berkshire Mountain Club ;

To incorporate the Onset Water Company ;

To incorporate the Medway Water Company ;

To authorize the Williamstown Water Company to increase its water supply ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to lay out and maintain public parks ; and

Providing for the removal of the remains of the dead from the Melville Street Cemetery in Pittsfield.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed, to wit :—

In favor of the officers, sailors and marines who served in the United States navy during the war of the rebellion, and were residents of this Commonwealth at the time of their enlistment ;

*Resolves passed.*

In favor of the State Normal School at Westfield ; and

In favor of William H. Robison.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill to restrict the sale of intoxicating liquor by innholders and common victuallers, was considered, and the question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit :—

*Intoxicating liquor, sale of, by innholders.*

#### YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Nichols, George K.  
Parkman, Henry

Messrs. Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F.—16.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)—13.

## PAIRED.

## YEA.

## NAY.

Mr. Isaac N. Nutter (present), Mr. James W. McDonald. — 2.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Eaton, William N.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert  
Meade, William E.

Messrs. Mott, Edward  
Simpkins, John  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 8.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Election ex-  
penses, publica-  
tion of.

The Senate Bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and to provide for publicity of election expenses, was considered, the main question being on passing the same to be engrossed.

The question on the adoption of the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Thayer, to substitute a "Bill to secure the publication of election expenses," was determined as follows, to wit:—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.  
Provin, William  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 9.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Smith, Sidney P.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 16.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

## NAYS.

Mr. Robert Howard (present),	Mr. Charles H. Baker.
Mr. William N. Eaton (present),	Mr. John Simpkins.
Mr. William S. McNary (present),	Mr. B. Frank Southwick.
Mr. James W. McDonald,	Mr. Isaac N. Nutter (present).
Mr. Henry A. Kimball,	Mr. Henry Parkman (present).
Mr. John Reade (Suffolk) (present),	Mr. William E. Meade. — 12.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Christopher C. Merritt,	Mr. Edward Mott. — 2.
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So the amendment was rejected.

The question on passing the bill to be engrossed was then determined as follows, to wit: —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.	Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.
Butler, William M.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Carter, Richard A.	McNary, William S.
Champlin, Arthur B.	Raymond, Francis H.
Clark, Wilder P.	Read, John (Middlesex)
Dame, Luther	Smith, Sidney P.
Fernald, B. Marvin	Stevens, Eben S.
Gilman, Gorham D.	West, William H.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Wyer, Edwin F. — 18.

## NAYS.

Mr. William H. Carberry,	Mr. Christopher C. Merritt. — 2.
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## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

## NAYS.

Mr. Charles H. Baker,	Mr. Robert Howard (present).
Mr. John Simpkins,	Mr. William N. Eaton (present).
Mr. Henry Parkman (present),	Mr. Henry A. Kimball.
Mr. Isaac N. Nutter (present),	Mr. James W. McDonald.*
Mr. William E. Meade,	Mr. John Reade (Suffolk) (present).
Mr. George K. Nichols,	Mr. John E. Drury (present). — 12.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Coveney, John W.	Messrs. Shaw, Edward P.
Mott, Edward	Southwick, B. Frank †
Provin, William	Thayer, John R. — 7.
Ray, William F.	

So the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

\* See page 837.

† See page 838.

**Life policies, —  
proof of claims.**

The Bill in relation to proof of claims under life policies, and providing certain penalties, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Senate resolves.**

The Senate resolves

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes; and

Providing for leasing and furnishing a room to be used as a laboratory by the State Board of Health;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**Volunteer  
militia.**

The House Bill relative to the volunteer militia, was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

**House bills.**

The House bills

In relation to the accounts and records of collectors of taxes;

To prevent the fraudulent marking of ballots during and subsequent to elections; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to take lands for sewerage purposes in the town of West Bridgewater; and

**House resolve.**

The House Resolve providing for altering, improving and the perpetual care of the burial lot of Governor William Eustis in the town of Lexington;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**House report.**

The House Report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the 13th annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Stevens, at twenty-six minutes past five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, June 2, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Report of a Committee.*

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on the Treasury, State printing.  
that the House Resolve in relation to the State printing,  
ought to pass ;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a  
second reading.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. Carberry, the Senate Report of the  
committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the peti-  
tion of William H. Carberry for the abolition of the grade  
crossings on the line of the Providence division of the Old  
Colony Railroad which lie within the limits of Roxbury,  
by the elevation of the tracks of said road, was taken  
from the table. The same Senator further moved that the  
report be amended by the substitution of a " Bill relating  
to the abolition of certain grade crossings of the Boston  
and Providence Railroad." Pending this amendment, and  
pending the main question on the acceptance of the re-  
port, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of  
Mr. Smith, postponed until to-morrow.

Old Colony  
Railroad,—abo-  
lition of grade  
crossings in  
Roxbury.

*Personal Explanations.*

Mr. McDonald rose to a personal explanation to the  
effect that on the question on passing to be engrossed the  
Senate Bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and  
to provide for publicity of election expenses, as recorded  
in the Journal of yesterday, he had been announced as  
paired in the negative. He stated that this announcement  
had been made under a misapprehension on the part of  
the Senator who made it ; that he had desired to be paired  
in the affirmative on the question on amending the bill by  
the substitution of the new draft moved by Mr. Thayer,

Senator  
McDonald,  
personal ex-  
planation by.

as announced ; but that, notwithstanding the rejection of the amendment, he would, had he been present, have voted in the affirmative on the main question.

Senator Southwick, personal explanation by.

Mr. Southwick stated that, finding it necessary to absent himself, he had arranged to be paired in the affirmative on the question on passing the same bill to be engrossed ; but that, through a misunderstanding, the pair was not announced.

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

##### Bills

Middlesex, county of, — sittings of Superior Court. Small loans, discharge of.

Changing the time of the sitting of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Middlesex ; and

To amend an act relative to the discharge of small loans, and the redemption of the security given for such loans ;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Central Massachusetts Railroad Company.

A Bill to authorize the Central Massachusetts Railroad Company to issue bonds (on the petition of the same), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for tomorrow for a second reading.

##### Reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate :

Australian ballot act.

On the order relative to amending or modifying chapter 441 of the Acts of the year 1888, otherwise known as the Caucus Act, with a view to embodying or incorporating therein the principles of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, and amendments thereto, otherwise known as the Australian Ballot Act, so far as said principles may be applicable thereto (Messrs. McEttrick, of the Senate, and Merritt and Hart, of the House, dissenting) ; and

Nominating conventions.

On the order relative to requiring, as far as practicable, the applications of the provisions of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled : “ An Act to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense and to regulate voting at State and city elections,” and acts in amendment thereof or supplementary thereto, at nominating conventions or meetings for State and city elective offices (Messrs. McEttrick, of the Senate, and Merritt and Hart, of the House, dissenting) ;



Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient **Lobsters.** to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 84 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, so that the same shall read: "Whoever sells or offers for sale, or has in his possession with intent to sell, either directly or indirectly, a lobster less than nine inches in length, measuring from one extreme of the body extended to the other, exclusive of claws or feelers, shall forfeit five dollars for every such lobster; and in all prosecutions under this section, the possession of any lobster not of the required length shall be *prima facie* evidence to convict" (Messrs. Mayhew and Allen, of the House, dissenting); and

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the selectmen and others of the town of Swampscott for legislation to protect said town, and others similarly situated, from the injury and danger to public health occasioned by the floating of the garbage of Boston on their beaches and shores;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The Senate Bill relating to the equity docket of the Superior Court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex, came up, the House having concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, the committee on its part being Messrs. Gillett of Springfield, Parker of Boston and Charles of Boston.

**Swampscott, town of, — garbage of Boston on beaches.**  
**Suffolk and Middlesex, counties of, — equity docket of Superior Court.**

#### *House Petition.*

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of the mayor of the city of Brockton and the president of the Old Colony Railroad Company, relative to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Brockton; and the same was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railroads.

**Brockton, city of, — grade crossings over Old Colony Railroad.**

#### *Enacted Bills and Resolves laid before the Governor.*

The following engrossed bills, which were, yesterday, passed to be enacted and signed, were laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To establish a Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners and to define its powers and duties;

To authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings;

**Enacted bills laid before the Governor.**

Enacted bills  
laid before the  
Governor.

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Essex ;

To incorporate the Massachusetts Real Estate Company of Lowell ;

Relating to naturalization in the inferior courts ;

In relation to pensioning members of the fire department of the city of Boston ;

To authorize the towns of Sandwich, Bourne and Mashpee to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools ;

To incorporate the South Berkshire Mountain Club ;

To incorporate the Onset Water Company ;

To incorporate the Medway Water Company ;

To authorize the Williamstown Water Company to increase its water supply ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to lay out and maintain public parks ; and

Providing for the removal of the remains of the dead from the Melville Street Cemetery in Pittsfield.

The following engrossed resolves, which were, yesterday, passed and signed, were laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Resolves laid  
before the  
Governor.

In favor of the officers, sailors and marines who served in the United States navy during the war of the rebellion, and were residents of this Commonwealth at the time of their enlistment ;

In favor of the State Normal School at Westfield ; and

In favor of William H. Robison.

### *Bill Enacted.*

Bill enacted and  
laid before the  
Governor.

An engrossed Bill relative to supplying the town of Stoughton with water (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted and was signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

State commissions,  
etc.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating

or abolishing the various State commissions, as relates to the following subjects : Inspection of Fish and other articles ; Tables and Indexes relating to the Statutes ; Commissioners of Shipwrecked Goods ; State Board of Lunacy and Charity ; Commissioner of Foreign Mortgage Corporations ; Commissioners of Public Works ; Trustees of Public Institutions ; and Trustees of State Primary and Reform Schools, — was considered. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Butler, to substitute for so much thereof as relates to the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools, a “ Bill relating to the appointment of trustees of the Hospital Cottages for Children ” (the question on the adoption of the recommendation of the committee, as embodied in the acceptance of the report, having been divided), — was adopted, and the bill was substituted, read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The remainder of the report was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Bill to establish Fire District No. 1 in the town of Webster, was considered, the question being on ordering the same to a third reading. Mr. Thayer moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit : —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Howard, Robert  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)

Messrs. Simpkins, John  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 6.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Provin, William  
Ray, William F.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 28.

## PAIRED.

## YEA.

Mr. Sidney P. Smith (present),

## NAY.

Mr. James W. McDonald. — 2.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dame, Luther  
Kimball, Henry A.

Mr. Shaw, Edward P. — 3.

So the motion was negatived. The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

## Bill.

The Bill relating to the appointment and removal of the officers of the State Prison at Boston, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

## House bill.

The House Bill in relation to proof of claims under life policies, and providing certain penalties ; and

## House resolve.

The House Resolve providing for printing 1,500 extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

## The House reports

## House reports.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Chelsea for such legislation as will enable said city to revise its ward lines and increase the number of its wards ;

Of the committee on Cities, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the passage of a general law for the incorporation and government of cities ;

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring each city in the Commonwealth to provide, at an expense of not less than \$15,000, a building for working men and women, containing a suitable meeting-hall, reading-rooms, proper arrangements for baths, and rooms for recreation ; also providing that the minimum expense of \$15,000 shall be advanced from the treasury of the Commonwealth, and that each city shall be at liberty to appropriate such additional sum as it sees fit, and that upon refunding to the Commonwealth the amount advanced, the city shall become the owner of the building and appointments, otherwise the title of the same to be and remain in the Commonwealth ; also providing that in the city of Boston the minimum expenditure shall be \$30,000 and that this sum shall be advanced to said city from the treasury of the Commonwealth ;

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of James T. Porter and others for the regulation of the hours of labor of paper mill employees ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring all street railway companies using the overhead electric system to maintain cut-off boxes at not more than 500 feet apart all along their lines ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to require each railroad corporation to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon all railroad lines in this Commonwealth, was considered, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading ; but, without action thereon, —

Interchangeable  
mileage tickets.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, at eighteen minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, June 3, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Dr. Strong of Newton.

*Reports of Committees.*Chelsea bridge,  
abolition of  
grade crossings  
on.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea bridge and Chelsea bridge avenue, Boston, ought to pass ;

On motion of Mr. Champlin, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Road making,  
exhibit of, at  
the World's  
Columbian  
Exposition.

By Mr. Gilman, from the committee on Federal Relations, that the Resolve relative to an exhibit of road making and road-making machinery at the World's Columbian Exposition (introduced on leave in the Senate), ought to pass ; and

Westborough  
and Hopkinton,  
towns of, —  
Sudbury River,  
improvements.

By Mr. Carter, from the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of John H. Lee, acting mayor of the city of Boston, a Bill authorizing certain improvements in the Sudbury River in the towns of Westborough and Hopkinton ;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Quincy, city of,  
— water com-  
missioners.

A Bill authorizing the appointment of water commissioners for the city of Quincy, and providing means for the purchase of the franchise, corporate property and all the rights and privileges of the Quincy Water Company (on the petition of the mayor of said city), was read. On motion of Mr. Eaton, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Lobsters.

The Bill relative to the taking of lobsters (introduced on leave in the House), was read and, under a suspension

of Senate Rule No. 24, moved by Mr. Dame, was placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

#### Reports

Of the committee on Cities, no further legislation necessary, on the seventh annual report of the board of police for the city of Boston; and Boston, city of,  
— report of  
board of police.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to preventing telegraph companies from exacting any extra charges for the delivery of messages within a radius of one mile and a half from the telegraph office in towns of 7,000 inhabitants or more (Messrs. Moriarty and Coakley, of the House, dissenting); Telegraph  
messages, de-  
livery of.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

The Senate Resolve providing for an investigation of the burdens imposed on this Commonwealth by the immigration of paupers and criminals, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, striking out, in lines 4 and 5, the words "of the immigration from Europe of paupers and criminals, and," and inserting in place thereof the word "of;" also adding at the end of the resolve the words "The total amount to be expended under authority of this resolve shall not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars." Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendments, they were, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next. Paupers and  
criminals, immi-  
gration of.

The House Bill to provide for the retirement of the judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties, came up, the House having non-concurred in the reference thereof to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth. On motion of Mr. Fernald, the Senate insisted on its reference, and the bill was returned to the House endorsed accordingly. Judges of  
probate and  
insolvency, re-  
tirement of.

The House Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies, came up, the House having non-concurred in the adoption of the Senate amendments — inserting, in section 1, line 1, after the word "company," the word "hereafter;" also striking out, in section 3, the words "upon its passage," and inserting in place thereof the words "on the first day of July, in the year eighteen Safe deposit,  
loan and trust  
companies.

hundred and ninety-two." On motion of Mr. Southwick, the Senate insisted on its amendments and asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Interchangeable  
mileage tickets.

The unfinished business of yesterday, *i.e.*, the Bill to require each railroad corporation to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon all railroad lines in this Commonwealth, was considered; and the question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.

Messrs. Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Nichols, George K.  
Provin, William  
Ray, William F.  
Thayer, John R. — 17.

NAYS.

Messrs. Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Meade, William E.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Nutter, Isaac N.

Messrs. Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 14.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Henry Parkman (present),  
Mr. James W. McDonald,

NAYS.

Mr. Stephen A. Hickox.  
Mr. William H. West (present). — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. Smith, Sidney P.  
Stevens, Eben S. — 4.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Liens on build-  
ings and land.

The Bill to amend the laws relating to liens on buildings and land, was considered, the question being on ordering the same to a third reading. Mr. Fernald moved that the bill be amended, by inserting, in section



1, lines 20 and 43, after the word "made," in each case, the words "and to all just allowances by reason of the failure of such contractor, without the fault of the owner, to perform his contract."

Mr. Butler moved that the bill be amended, in section 1, lines 11 and 34, by striking out, in each case, the word "contract," and inserting in place thereof the word "sub-contract."

Pending these amendments, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Thayer, postponed until Tuesday, June 7, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill to authorize the town of Whitman to take land and water rights in the town of East Bridge-  
water for an electric light plant and to furnish electric light  
to the last-named town, was read a third time. On motion  
of Mr. Thayer, the bill was amended by striking out, in  
section 1, line 2, the word "take," and inserting in place  
thereof the word "acquire;" by striking out, in section 2,  
line 1, the word "takes," and inserting in place thereof  
the words "shall acquire by purchase;" by adding, at  
the end of section 2, the words "and provided further  
that in case of any dispute between said towns in regard  
to the cost of manufacturing light, the same shall be referred  
to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners,  
whose finding thereon shall be final;" and by striking  
out, at the end of section 3, the words "and wires as  
may be necessary to supply the inhabitants of said East  
Bridgewater with electric light, and to connect said plant  
with the town of Whitman," and inserting in place there-  
of the words "as may be necessary to maintain and carry  
the wires from said station into its own territory in the  
most direct available course."

Whitman, town  
of, — electric  
lighting.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed, the title having been amended, on further motion of the same Senator, by striking out the word "take," and inserting in place thereof the word "purchase."

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to provide for the building of an asylum  
for the chronic insane, was read a third time. Mr. South-  
wick moved that the bill be amended by the substitution  
of a new draft with the same title, and the question on  
this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

Chronic insane,  
asylum for.

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
 Baker, Charles H.  
 Butler, William M.  
 Fernald, B. Marvin  
 Meade, William E.  
 Mott, Edward  
 Nichols, George K.  
 Nutter, Isaac N.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
 Ray, William F.  
 Raymond, Francis H.  
 Read, John (Middlesex)  
 Shaw, Edward P.  
 Simpkins, John  
 Southwick, B. Frank — 15.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
 Carter, Richard A.  
 Clark, Wilder P.  
 Coveney, John W.  
 Drury, John E.  
 Eaton, William N.  
 Howard, Robert

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.  
 McEttrick, Michael J.  
 Merritt, Christopher C.  
 Provin, William  
 Stevens, Eben S.  
 Thayer, John R. — 13.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. William H. West (present),  
 Mr. Gorham D. Gilman (present),  
 Mr. Edwin F. Wyer (present),  
 Mr. Arthur B. Champlin (present),  
 Mr. Luther Dame,

## NAYS.

Mr. Sidney P. Smith.  
 Mr. James W. McDonald.  
 Mr. Henry A. Kimball.  
 Mr. William S. McNary.  
 Mr. John Reade (Suffolk) (present).—10.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Stephen A. Hickox. — 1.

So the amendment was adopted, and the new draft was substituted. Pending the question on passing the bill, as thus amended, to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was, under Senate Rule No. 29, placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

Haverhill, city  
 of, — water  
 supply.

The engrossed Bill for the protection of the water supply of the city of Haverhill; was considered, and, pending the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Wyer, postponed until Tuesday, June 7.

## Prorogation.

The House Resolution relative to the prorogation of the General Court, was considered; and, pending the question on the adoption of the resolution, in concurrence, it was, on motion of Mr. Parkman, laid on the table.

Intoxicating  
 liquor, sale of,  
 by innholders.

The House Bill to restrict the sale of intoxicating liquor by innholders and common victuallers, was read a third

time. Mr. Butler moved that the bill be amended by the substitution of a "Bill to promote temperance by the suppression of the liquor saloon and tippling shop." Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Gilman, postponed until Tuesday, June 7.

The Bill relating to the appointment of trustees of the Bill.  
Hospital Cottages for Children; and

The Resolve in relation to the State printing; Resolve.

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relating to the appointment and removal Senate bill.  
of the officers of the State Prison at Boston, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### The House reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to House reports.  
legislate, on the order relative to amending or modifying chapter 441 of the Acts of the year 1888, otherwise known as the Caucus Act, with a view to embodying or incorporating therein the principles of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, and amendments thereto, otherwise known as the Australian Ballot Act, so far as said principles may be applicable thereto;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to requiring as far as practicable the applications of the provisions of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled: "An Act to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense and to regulate voting at State and city elections," and acts in amendment thereof or supplementary thereto at nominating conventions or meetings for State and city elective offices;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 84 of chapter 91 of the Public Statutes, so that the same shall read: "Whoever sells or offers for sale, or has in his possession with intent to sell, either directly or indirectly, a lobster less than nine inches in length, measuring from one extreme of the body extended to the other, exclusive of claws or feelers, shall forfeit five dollars for every such

lobster; and in all prosecutions under this section, the possession of any lobster not of the required length shall be *prima facie* evidence to convict;" and

House report.

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the selectmen and others of the town of Swampscott for legislation to protect said town and others similarly situated from the injury and danger to public health occasioned by the floating back of the garbage of Boston on their beaches and shores;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Nutter, at twenty minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, June 6, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. McNary in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend George S. Ball of Upton, a member of the House of Representatives.

*Report of a Committee.*

By Mr. Raymond, from the committee on Railroads, on the petition of the mayor of said city and the president of the Old Colony Railroad Company, a Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Brockton; Brockton, city of, — abolition of grade crossings.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Petition.*

Mr. Champlin presented a petition of the treasurer of the city of Chelsea that bonds, notes or scrip issued by said city in accordance with the provisions of chapter 248 of the Acts of the year 1891, be made payable not later than the 31st day of December in the year 1911, — and moved a suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon. The rule was suspended and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities. Chelsea, city of, — bonds.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Order Adopted.*

Mr. Raymond presented the following order: —

*Ordered,* That the Attorney-General be requested to give his opinion upon the constitutionality of the "Bill to require railroad corporations to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon all railroad lines in this Commonwealth," now pending in the Senate. Attorney-General, opinion of, requested on certain pending legislation.

On motion of Mr. Champlin, the order was amended by inserting, after the word "opinion," the words "not later than Friday, June 10." The order, as amended, was then adopted.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Bills

Street bands.

To amend section 16 of chapter 53 of the Public Statutes, so as to extend its provisions to the selectmen of towns; and

Furniture, etc., conditional sales of.

To amend an act relating to conditional sales of furniture or other household effects (on an order);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Appropriations.

A Bill making appropriations for additional cell room for the Massachusetts Reformatory, and for certain other expenses authorized by law; and

## Resolves

East Boston bridge, expense of hearings relating to.

Providing for the payment of certain expenses in connection with the hearing before the Harbor and Land Commissioners relative to building a bridge between Boston and East Boston (on an order); and

Constitutional amendment, — abolishing property qualification for office of Governor.

Providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor (on an order);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

## Bills

Sleeping-car companies, duties of.

To further define the duties of sleeping-car companies (on two orders) (Messrs. Raymond, Mott and Ray, of the Senate, and Bliss, of the House, dissenting);

Boston, city of, — sidewalks.

Relating to sidewalks in the city of Boston (on an order);

Boston, city of, — sewers.

Relating to sewers in the city of Boston (on an order); and

Marlborough, city of, — water supply.

To authorize the city of Marlborough to acquire an additional water supply (on the petition of the mayor of said city);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Chicopee, city of, — water supply.

A Bill to authorize the city of Chicopee to introduce a public water supply (on the petition of the same), was read. On motion of Mr. Provin, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Reports**

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William O. Stanton for an amendment to the Constitution providing for biennial or triennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court, and biennial or triennial sessions of the Legislature (Messrs. Ray and Champlin, of the Senate, and Tucker, Rugg and Whitcomb, of the House, dissenting) ;

Constitutional amendment, — biennial or triennial elections.

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate :

On the order relative to repealing chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to a uniform system of counting and canvassing votes, and providing for a simple method or system of counting and canvassing votes ; and

Votes, counting of.

On the order relative to amending sections 1 and 3 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, by striking out the word “ city,” wherever it occurs ; also amending section 4 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, by striking out the whole of said section or the part of said section which requires separate canvasses of each block of ballots ; also amending section 4 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, by providing that votes at all elections shall be canvassed by officers to be specially appointed for that purpose on account of their fitness and to be called “ counters,” and that their duties be defined by statute ; also amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing that the ballot box may be opened and the ballots counted while the polls are open ;

Id.

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing that in elections held under the Australian system in towns, the tellers shall be appointed by the selectmen instead of by the moderator, as now provided ;

Town elections, — tellers.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Susan S. Fessenden and others for a prohibitory liquor law (Messrs. Woodsum and Halley, of the House, dissenting) ;

Prohibitory liquor law.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors, so as to do away with limiting the number of licenses granted in the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth, except the city of Boston ;

Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses.

Boston Gas  
Company.

Of the committee on Manufactures, reference to the next General Court, on the report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners on the subject of the manufacture and sale of gas by the Boston Gas Company, made in accordance with the instructions of the General Court ; and

Compulsory  
vaccination  
laws, repeal of.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others for the repeal of all compulsory vaccination laws (Messrs. Chance and Friend, of the House, dissenting) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Cambridge, city  
of, — reservoir.

The Senate Bill to provide a distributing and higher-service reservoir for the city of Cambridge, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, inserting, in section 1, line 5, after the word “ may,” the words “ within one year from the passage of this act ;” also inserting, after section 8, the following new section :—

“ *Sect. 9.* The city of Cambridge shall not pay any taxes on property taken and held under the provisions of section one of this act, but shall annually pay to any other city or town in which any lands so held are situated an amount of money equal to twelve dollars on every one thousand dollars of the average of the assessed valuation of such lands without buildings for the three years next preceding such taking, the valuation for each year being first reduced by the amount of all abatements allowed thereon.”

Pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the amendments, they were, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Bills.

The bills

Authorizing certain improvements in the Sudbury River in the towns of Westborough and Hopkinton ;

To authorize the Central Massachusetts Railroad Company to issue bonds ; and

Relative to the taking of lobsters ; and

Resolve.

The Resolve relative to an exhibit of road making and road-making machinery at the World's Columbian Exposition ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.



The Senate Report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William H. Carberry for the abolition of the grade crossings on the line of the Providence division of the Old Colony Railroad which lie within the limits of Roxbury, by the elevation of the tracks of said road, — was considered. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Carberry, to substitute for the report a “Bill relating to the abolition of certain grade crossings of the Boston and Providence Railroad,” was adopted and the bill was substituted, read, and, under the rule, referred to the committee on the Treasury.

Boston and  
Providence  
Railroad.

The Senate concurred in the adoption of the House amendments to the Senate Resolve providing for an investigation of the burdens imposed on this Commonwealth by the immigration of paupers and criminals, — striking out, in lines 4 and 5, the words “of the immigration from Europe of paupers and criminals, and,” and inserting in place thereof the word “of;” also adding at the end of the resolve the words “The total amount to be expended under authority of this resolve shall not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars.”

Paupers and  
criminals, immi-  
gration of.

The Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane, was considered, the question being on passing the same to be engrossed. Mr. Stevens moved that the vote by which the Senate, on Friday last, amended the House bill by the substitution of a new draft, be reconsidered; and, this motion being entertained, the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit:—

Chronic insane,  
asylum for.

**YEAS.**

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Provin, William  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Stevens, Eben S. — 10.

**NAYS.**

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Parkman, Henry  
Ray, William F.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 12.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. Christopher C. Merritt,  
Mr. John E. Drury (present),  
Mr. John Reade (Suffolk),  
Mr. James W. McDonald,  
Mr. Henry A. Kimball,  
Mr. William N. Eaton,  
Mr. Robert Howard (present),  
Mr. John R. Thayer (present),

## NAYS.

Mr. Luther Dame (present).  
Mr. Stephen A. Hickox.  
Mr. William E. Meade (present).  
Mr. Gorham D. Gilman (present).  
Mr. Isaac N. Nutter (present).  
Mr. Francis H. Raymond (present).  
Mr. Edward P. Shaw.  
Mr. William H. West. — 16.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. John Simpkins. — 1.

So the motion to reconsider was negatived.

The bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Webster, town  
of, — Fire  
District No. 1.

The Senate Bill to establish Fire District No. 1 in the town of Webster, was read a third time; and the question on passing the bill to be engrossed was determined as follows, to wit: —

## YEAS.

Messrs Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Drury, John E.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.

Messrs Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Provin, William  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 24.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Howard, Robert  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Simpkins, John

Messrs. Smith, Sidney P.  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 6.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Eaton, William N.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.  
Merritt, Christopher C.

Messrs Ray, William F.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
West, William H. — 9.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill relating to the appointment of trustees of the Hospital Cottages for Children, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to amend section 5 of chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1890, relating to the Ballot Law Commission, was read a third time. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out, in section 1, lines 1 to 5, inclusive, the words "Section five of chapter four hundred and thirty-six of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety is hereby amended so as to read as follows:—*Sect. 5;*" by striking out, in line 7, the word "said;" by inserting, in line 7, after the word "thirteen," the words "of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine;" by inserting, after section 2, the following new section: "*Sect. 3.* Section five of chapter four hundred and thirty-six of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety is hereby repealed." Ballot Law Commission.

These amendments were adopted and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, further reported, recommending that the title be amended so as to read as follows: "An Act relating to the Ballot Law Commission." This amendment was also adopted.

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments.

The House Bill to require railroad corporations to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon all railroad lines in this Commonwealth (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time. Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Raymond moved that it be laid on the table, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:— Interchangeable mileage tickets.

YEAS.

Messrs Baker, Charles H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Meade, William E.

Messrs. Mott, Edward  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Wyer, Edwin F.— 15.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Drury, John E.  
Howard, Robert  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Parkman, Henry  
Provin, William  
Ray, William F.  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 13.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Eaton, William N.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.

Messrs. Merritt, Christopher C.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
West, William H — 11.

So the bill was laid on the table.

## The House bills

House bills.

Authorizing the appointment of water commissioners for the city of Quincy, and providing means for the purchase of the franchise, corporate property and all the rights and privileges of the Quincy Water Company ; and  
Relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea bridge and Chelsea Bridge Avenue in the city of Boston (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

House resolve.

The House Resolve in relation to the State printing ;  
Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

## The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee on Cities, no further legislation necessary, on the 7th annual report of the board of police for the city of Boston ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to preventing telegraph companies from exacting any extra charges for the delivery of messages within a radius of one mile and a half from the telegraph office in towns of 7,000 inhabitants or more ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at twenty-one minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, June 7, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Dr. Strong of Newton.

*Reports of a Committee.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, Appropriations. that the House Bill making appropriations for additional cell room for the Massachusetts Reformatory, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ; and

The House Resolve providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor, Constitutional amendment, — abolishing property qualification for office of Governor. — severally, ought to pass ;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Clark, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the abolition of certain grade crossings of the Boston and Providence Railroad, ought to pass, with an amendment, striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following new section : "*Sect. 2.* The alterations and improvements prescribed by said commission shall be made by the Old Colony Railroad Company, and the expenses thereof paid by it, and for that purpose it may issue its stock from time to time to such an amount as may be necessary, not to exceed in all the sum of two million dollars." Boston and Providence Railroad.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

*Message from the Governor.*

The Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings (which originated in the Senate), was returned by His Excellency the Governor accompanied with the following message : — Woburn, city of, — superintendent of public buildings.

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, JUNE 7, 1892.

*To the Honorable Senate.*Veto message  
from the  
Governor.

I herewith return with my objections a bill entitled : "An Act to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings," which originated in your body.

The strenuous opposition to this bill from many citizens of Woburn has led me to examine it with much care. I find that under the general provisions of her existing charter the city at present has authority to create this office, and I am informed that this fact was admitted at the hearing before the committee of the Legislature. Under such general provisions the city has already by ordinance created the office of city engineer and the "department of city engineering," and other offices not specifically mentioned in her charter.

If there is need for this new office, which is strenuously disputed, I can see no occasion for creating it by special statute rather than by city ordinance, — unless it is intended to make unusual provisions in regard to it, which provisions will be beyond the control of the city.

I find in the bill provisions which I believe to be unusual, and which I am convinced are not conducive to proper executive responsibility or to a sound system of municipal government.

It provides that the head of this executive department, appointed by the mayor, must be confirmed and can be removed only by the concurrent action of the board of aldermen and common council, and then for cause assigned after due hearing. Executive responsibility is thus divided between the mayor and both branches of the city council.

The chief executive officer of the city, required by its charter "to keep a general supervision over the conduct of all subordinate officers," has no executive power whatever over this department except by the concurrent action of her two legislative bodies. An incompetent or unfaithful head of this department cannot be removed until he has been indicted by the mayor, tried before the city council, and found guilty by both of its branches.

Such a system seems to me at variance with a proper idea of executive responsibility, and with the modern

tendency to increase rather than to diminish it. I know of no other instance where a head of a department, appointed by the mayor of a city, is put entirely beyond his control except with the concurrent action of both the board of aldermen and common council.

The chief executive of either a city or a State, in my judgment, should be compelled to take full executive responsibility, — and to this end power should be given him over the executive departments, that they through him may be responsible to the people, and that he may be held to answer to the people for executive action in all departments. At least, such responsibility should not be scattered and lost, as provided in this bill.

This objection is emphasized by the fact that the bill also provides that “said superintendent shall hold office for such time of service as the city council of such city may upon the acceptance of this act prescribe.” It may, therefore, provide a long or indefinite term, and so prevent the control by the people over a head of department, which comes from frequent appointment or election.

If the purpose were to create an executive department without responsibility and for an indefinite term, under this bill it may be accomplished.

I have so often declared my belief in a different system, and in so concentrating executive responsibility that there may be always some one answerable to the people for executive action, and that they may retain their power directly or indirectly over their servants, that I cannot assent to a bill which takes a long and unusual step in the opposite direction.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

The message being read, the question was put “Shall the bill pass, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?”

Pending this question, the further consideration of the bill was, on motion of Mr. Parkman, postponed until to-morrow.

*Introduced on Leave.*

Mr. Reade of Suffolk (on leave) introduced a Resolve providing for the leasing of a room for the use of the Charles River Improvement Commission, and the same was read. On motion of the same Senator, the 12th joint

Charles River  
Improvement  
Commission,  
room for.

rule was suspended and the resolve was referred to the committee on State House.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the reference.

*Committee of Conference.*

Committee of conference, — safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

The President appointed Messrs. Southwick, Nutter and Merritt the committee of conference, on the part of the Senate, on the matters of difference between the two branches relative to the House Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

Sent down for concurrence in the appointment of the committee of conference.

*Taken from the Table.*

Executive boards and officers.

On motion of Mr. Butler, the Senate Report of the joint special committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to executive boards and officers, — was taken from the table and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Petition.*

Gardiner Tufts, marble bust of.

Mr. Butler presented a petition of the Tufts Memorial Association that the Commissioners on the State House may be authorized to assign a suitable place in the State House to a marble bust of the late Gardiner Tufts, to be furnished by said association, and moved a suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon. The rule was suspended and the petition was referred to the committee on State House.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Placed on File.*

Haverhill, city of, — water supply.

Mr. Fernald presented remonstrances of Annie B. Webb and the heirs of James R. Nichols; William G. Howe and others; and John W. Tilton and others, owners of land, water, water rights and easements within the watersheds of Round Pond, Plug Pond, Kenoza Lake and Crystal Lake, — severally, against legislation authorizing the city of Haverhill to take property within said watersheds, unless it is provided that said right to take shall expire if not exercised within three years from the time when it is granted; and the same were severally placed on file.



## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to counting ballots when voting is in progress (substituted by the House for the Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Ballots, counting of.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill authorizing the appointment of a commission to draft an act embodying the principles of the Torrens system of land transfer, had been rejected by that branch; also

Torrens system of land transfer.

That the engrossed Bill for the better protection of seamen, had failed to pass, that branch having stricken out the enacting clause.

Seamen, protection of.

The House Bill relative to the volunteer militia, came up, the House having non-concurred in the adoption of the Senate amendments thereto. On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, the Senate insisted on its amendments and the bill was returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

Volunteer militia.

*Bills Enacted.*

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, and were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:—

Relating to the registration of voters;

In relation to the employment of children;

To authorize the Lexington Water Company to improve and increase its water supply;

Relating to pensioning members of the police department of the city of Boston; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to take lands for sewerage purposes in the town of West Bridgewater.

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill to amend the laws relating to liens on buildings and land, was considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading. The pend-

Liens on buildings and land.

ing amendments, moved by Messrs. Fernald and Butler, were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was refused a third reading.

Haverhill, city  
of, — water  
supply.

The engrossed Bill for the protection of the water supply of the city of Haverhill, was considered, the question being on passing the bill to be enacted. On motion of Mr. Nichols, Senate Rule No. 47 was suspended. The same Senator further moved that the bill be amended in section 1, line 2 (as printed), by inserting after the word "take," the words "within twenty years," and this amendment was rejected. On motion of Mr. Fernald, the bill was amended by inserting, in section 1, line 2 (as printed), after the word "take," the words "within five years from the passage of this act."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

Bills.

The bills

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Brockton;

Relating to sidewalks in the city of Boston;

Relating to sewers in the city of Boston; and

To authorize the city of Marlborough to acquire an additional water supply;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Intoxicating  
liquor, sale of,  
by innholders.

The House Bill to restrict the sale of intoxicating liquor by innholders and common victuallers, was considered, the main question being on passing the same to be engrossed, in concurrence. On motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, the "Bill to promote temperance by the suppression of the liquor saloon and tippling shop," moved by Mr. Butler as a substitute, was, by a vote of 13 to 8, amended by adding the following new section: "*Sect. 4.* This act shall take effect on the first day of May in the year 1893." The question on amending the bill by the substitution of the amended new draft was then determined as follows, to wit: —

#### YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Dame, Luther  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.

Messrs. Mott, Edward  
Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank — 14.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk) — 12.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. Wilder P. Clark,  
Mr. George K. Nichols,  
Mr. Isaac N. Nutter (present),  
Mr. William H. West (present),

## NAYS.

Mr. John E. Drury (present).  
Mr. William E. Meade (present).  
Mr. James W. McDonald.  
Mr. William S. McNary — 8.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Ray, William F.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Stevens, Eben S.

Messrs. Thayer, John R.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 5.

So the amendment was adopted. The bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft, was, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question being on passing the same to be engrossed.

The Senate Bill authorizing certain improvements in the Sudbury River in the towns of Westborough and Hopkinton, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.  
Sent down for concurrence.

## The House bills

To authorize the Central Massachusetts Railroad Company to issue bonds; and

To authorize the city of Chicopee to introduce a public water supply;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

## The House reports

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William O. Stanton for an amendment to the Constitution providing for biennial or triennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court, and biennial or triennial sessions of the Legislature;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending sections 1 and 3 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, by striking out the word "city," wherever it occurs; also amending section 4 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, by

striking out the whole of said section or the part of said section which requires separate canvassers of each block of ballots ; also amending section 4 of chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, by providing that votes at all elections shall be canvassed by officers to be specially appointed for that purpose on account of their fitness and to be called "counters," and that their duties be defined by statute ; also amending section 89 of chapter 423 of the Acts of the year 1890, by providing that the ballot box may be opened and the ballots counted while the polls are open ;

House reports.

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to repealing chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to a uniform system of counting and canvassing votes, and providing for a simple method or system of counting and canvassing votes ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing that in elections held under the Australian system in towns, the tellers shall be appointed by the selectmen instead of by the moderator, as now provided ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Susan S. Fessenden and others for a prohibitory liquor law ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, relative to limiting the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors, so as to do away with limiting the number of licenses granted in the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth, except the city of Boston ;

Of the committee on Manufactures, reference to the next General Court, on the report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners on the subject of the manufacture and sale of gas by the Boston Gas Company, made in accordance with the instructions of the General Court ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others for the repeal of all compulsory vaccination laws ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, at five minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, June 8, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend George S. Ball of Upton, a member of the House of Representatives.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill changing the time of the sitting of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Middlesex, ought to pass ;

Middlesex,  
county of, —  
sittings of  
Superior Court.

By Mr. Smith, from the same committee, that the House Bill to amend section 16 of chapter 53 of the Public Statutes, so as to extend its provisions to the selectmen of towns, ought to pass ;

Street bands.

By Mr. Butler, from the same committee, that the House Bill to amend an act relating to conditional sales of furniture or other household effects, ought to pass ; and

Furniture, etc.,  
conditional sales  
of.

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Resolve providing for the payment of certain expenses in connection with the hearing before the Harbor and Land Commissioners relative to building a bridge between Boston and East Boston, ought to pass ;

East Boston  
bridge, — ex-  
pense in connec-  
tion with  
hearings.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill to amend an act relative to the discharge of small loans, and the redemption of the security given for such loans, ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title ;

Small loans, dis-  
charge of.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Meade, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the petition of the clerk of the overseers of the poor of said town, a Resolve in favor of the town of Natick ;

Natick, town of.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

*Petition.*

Margaret  
McDonald,  
annuity to.

Mr. Coveney presented a petition from John W. Coveney that an annuity may be granted to Margaret McDonald, widow of Owen McDonald, who was injured while in the employ of the Commonwealth, and moved a suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon. The rule was suspended and the petition referred to the committee on Expenditures. Sent down for concurrence.

*Taken from the Table.*

Roxbury Trust  
Company.

On motion of Mr. Carberry, the motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate passed to be enacted the engrossed Bill to incorporate the Roxbury Trust Company, was taken from the table. There being no objection, the same Senator withdrew the motion to reconsider.

Beacon Trust  
Company.

On motion of Mr. Carberry, the engrossed Bill to incorporate the Beacon Trust Company, was taken from the table, and, being put upon its final passage, was passed to be enacted and was signed.

West Lynn  
Trust Com-  
pany.

On motion of Mr. Nutter, the motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate passed to be enacted the engrossed Bill to incorporate the West Lynn Trust Company, was taken from the table. There being no objection, the same Senator withdrew the motion to reconsider.

Essex County  
Safe Deposit  
and Trust  
Company.

On motion of Mr. Meade, the engrossed Bill to incorporate the Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company, was taken from the table, and, being put upon its final passage, was passed to be enacted and was signed.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Boston and  
Maine Railroad,  
— extension of  
system.

A Bill to extend the operation of section 2 of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations (on the petition of the same), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

## Reports

Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate :

On the order relative to so amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, that the vote required by section 2 of said act need not pass each branch of the city council and receive the approval of the mayor, in the city of Boston, in more than one municipal year; and

Boston, city of,  
— manufacture  
and sale of gas  
and electricity.

On the order relative to reducing and regulating the price of electricity;

Electricity,  
price of.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to requiring a more thorough inspection and regulation of the manufacture of gas, of meters, and the appliances, instruments and pipes used in the distribution or out-put of gas; and

Gas and gas  
appliances,  
regulation of  
the manufacture  
of.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Harris that Sergeant William H. Carney Camp No. 82, Division of Massachusetts Sons of Veterans, may be permitted to bear arms while on parade;

Sergt. William  
H. Carney  
Camp No. 82,  
Sons of  
Veterans.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a Bill to repeal sections 21, 22 and 23 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, prohibiting the giving of credit to students (introduced on leave in the House); and the same was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

Students, credit  
to.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Resolve providing for an investigation by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners into the expediency of re-enacting the act in relation to the Dorchester Gas Light Company, and of extending the provisions of said act, — had been referred, by that branch, to the next General Court; also

Gas and Elec-  
tric Light Com-  
missioners, —  
Dorchester Gas  
Light Company.

That the Senate Bill to permit the sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of April in each year, had been returned to that branch by His Excellency the Governor, with his objections thereto, and had failed to pass.

Trout artifi-  
cially raised,  
sale of.

### *Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first nine of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To incorporate the Red Men's Building Association;

Bill enacted.

**Bills enacted.**

To authorize the town of North Attleborough to purchase the franchise and property of Fire District No. 1 of said town ;

Relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments ;

To incorporate the Plymouth County Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

To establish a naval brigade, to be attached to the volunteer militia ;

To protect the shores and beaches of Boston harbor ;

Providing for the appointment of an inspector of provisions, milk, butter, cheese and vinegar for the city of Lynn ;

In relation to the recovery of costs from insolvent estates ;

To authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan ;

To authorize the Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad Company to extend its tracks across Lake Quinsigamond ;

To incorporate the city of Everett ;

To authorize the city of Boston to take Jamaica Pond and Ward's Pond for a public park ;

Relating to the assessment of damages for property taken by the city of Fall River for the better protection of its water supply ;

In relation to the detention of material witnesses in cases of felony ;

To repeal chapter 331 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled : " An Act to supply the town of Methuen with water ; "

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk ;

To authorize the city of Fall River to borrow money beyond the limit fixed by law for street improvements, sewers and the erection of school-houses ;

To incorporate the Columbia Trust Company ;

To authorize the towns of Dennis and Yarmouth to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools ;

In relation to the accounts and records of collectors of taxes ;

To prevent the fraudulent marking of ballots during and subsequent to elections ; and

In relation to proof of claims under life policies and providing certain penalties.



The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed, to wit:—

Providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy ; Resolves passed.

Providing for the altering, improving, and the perpetual care of the burial lot of Governor William Eustis in the town of Lexington ;

Providing for printing 1,500 extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties ; and

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas H. Bacon, Martin P. Kennard and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company, for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay (and sundry petitions in aid thereof), — was considered. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Champlin moved that it be laid on the table, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit :—

#### YEAS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Provin, William  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Simpkins, John  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H. — 20.

#### NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Merritt, Christopher C.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Thayer, John R.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 13.

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## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.	Messrs. Ray, William F.
Kimball, Henry A.	Smith, Sidney P.
McDonald, James W.	Stevens, Eben S. — 6.

So the report was laid on the table.

Cape Cod Canal,  
— Boston, Cape  
Cod and New  
York Canal  
Company.

The Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company for an amendment of the act to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company and of its own charter, was considered. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Simpkins moved that it be laid on the table, and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit : —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.	Messrs. Meade, William E.
Champlin, Arthur B.	Mott, Edward
Coveney, John W.	Nichols, George K.
Dame, Luther	Parkman, Henry
Drury, John E.	Provin, William
Eaton, William N.	Raymond, Francis H.
Fernald, B. Marvin	Reade, John (Suffolk)
Howard, Robert	Simpkins, John
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Southwick, B. Frank
McNary, William S.	West, William H. — 20.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.	Messrs. Merritt, Christopher C.
Butler, William M.	Nutter, Isaac N.
Carter, Richard A.	Read, John (Middlesex)
Gilman, Gorham D.	Shaw, Edward P.
Hickox, Stephen A.	Thayer, John R.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Wyer, Edwin F. — 12.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.	Messrs. Ray, William F.
Clark, Wilder P.	Smith, Sidney P.
Kimball, Henry A.	Stevens, Eben S. — 7.
McDonald, James W.	

So the report was laid on the table.

Cape Cod Canal,  
— George S.  
Hall *et al.*

The Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George S. Hall and others for the repeal of the charter of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, or for the grant of a similar charter to said Hall and others, was considered ; and, pending the question on the accept-

ance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. West, by a vote of 19 to 5, laid on the table.

The Senate Bill to promote temperance by the suppression of the liquor saloon and tippling shop (being the House Bill to restrict the sale of intoxicating liquor by innholders and common victuallers, as amended by the Senate), was considered, and the question on passing the bill, as previously amended, to be engrossed, was determined as follows, to wit:—

Liquor saloons,  
suppression of.

## YEAS.

Messrs Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Nichols, George K.  
Parkman, Henry

Messrs. Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 13.

## NAYS.

Messrs Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Eaton, William N.  
Hickox, Stephen A.

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Meade, William E.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)—10.

## PAIRED

## YEAS.

Mr. Wilder P. Clark,  
Mr. Edward Mott (present),  
Mr. Sidney P. Smith,  
Mr William F. Ray,  
Mr. Francis P. Arnold,  
Mr. Francis H. Raymond (present),  
Mr. Isaac N. Nutter (present),

## NAYS

Mr. John E. Drury (present).  
Mr. Henry A. Kimball.  
Mr. Charles H. Baker (present).  
Mr. William S. McNary (present).  
Mr. William Provin (present).  
Mr. Eben S. Stevens.  
Mr. James W. McDonald. — 14.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Robert Howard,

Mr. John R Thayer. — 2.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to provide a distributing and higher-service reservoir for the city of Cambridge, was considered, the question being on concurring in the adoption of the House amendments thereto. The Senate concurred in the adoption of the amendment inserting, in section 1, line 5, after the word "may," the words "within one year from the passage of this act," and non-concurred in the adoption

Cambridge, city  
of,—reservoir.

of the amendment inserting, after section 8, the following new section: "*Sect. 9.* The city of Cambridge shall not pay any taxes on property taken and held under the provisions of section one of this act, but shall annually pay to any other city or town in which any lands so held are situated an amount of money equal to twelve dollars on every one thousand dollars of the average of the assessed valuation of such lands without buildings for the three years next preceding such taking, the valuation for each year being first reduced by the amount of all abatements allowed thereon,"—and the bill was returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

Sleeping-car  
companies,  
duties of.

The House Bill to further define the duties of sleeping-car companies, was read a second time, and refused a third reading.

Boston and  
Providence  
Railroad,—  
abolition of  
certain grade  
crossings.

The Bill relating to the abolition of certain grade crossings of the Boston and Providence Railroad, was read a second time and amended, as recommended by the committee on the Treasury, by striking out section 2, and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "*Sect. 2.* The alterations and improvements prescribed by said commission shall be made by the Old Colony Railroad Company, and the expenses thereof paid by it, and for that purpose it may issue its stock from time to time to such an amount as may be necessary, not to exceed in all the sum of two million dollars." The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Resolves.

The Resolves providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor, were read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The following House order was considered, and, by a vote of 8 to 13, was rejected, to wit:—

State printing.

*Ordered,* That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and seven members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and examine into the present method of awarding the State printing and executing the contract for the same; also the advisability of establishing a printing office, owned and controlled by the Common-

wealth, for the purpose of doing the State printing; hear such evidence as may be submitted after public notice of the time and place of the committee's meetings; investigate the methods of carrying on State owned and controlled printing offices in other States of the Union, by procuring documents and reports in relation thereto; and, if deemed desirable, employ an expert accountant to examine books and charges for printing work.

Said committee shall report fully and in print to the next General Court the result of their investigation, together with such recommendations in relation thereto as may seem proper to be made.

Said committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who shall also furnish all the necessary stationery and postage; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the committee; and the members thereof shall be paid such compensation and allowed such expenditures as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

The House Bill making appropriations for additional cell room for the Massachusetts Reformatory, and for certain other expenses authorized by law, was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Southwick, the rules were suspended, and the bill was ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Appropriations.

The Senate Bill relating to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Brockton, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Nutter. Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Resolve relative to an exhibit of road making and road-making machinery at the World's Columbian Exposition, was read a third time. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the resolve be amended by the substitution of a new draft, with the same title. The amendment was adopted, and the resolve, as amended by the substitution of the new draft, was passed to be engrossed. Road making, exhibit of, at the World's Columbian Exposition.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the taking of lobsters, was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Simpkins, the bill Lobsters.

was amended by striking out, in lines 3 and 4, the words "for the purpose of carrying them," and inserting in place thereof the words "and carry them or cause them to be carried." The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

House bills.

The House bills

Relating to sidewalks in the city of Boston ;

Relating to sewers in the city of Boston ; and

To authorize the city of Marlborough to acquire an additional water supply ;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, at nine minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, June 9, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, Natick, town of. that the Senate Resolve in favor of the town of Natick, ought to pass ;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of the treasurer of said city, a Bill in relation to the time of payment of the funded debt of the city of Chelsea ; Chelsea, city of, — payment of funded debt.

Read twice, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Champlin, and ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Fernald, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto ; Real estate, — system of indexing records of deeds, mortgages, titles, etc.

By Mr. Thayer, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the Senate Bill providing for the recording of notice of municipal liens upon any real estate and defining the lands to be affected (recommitted) ; Municipal liens upon real estate, recording of notice of.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

*Opinion of the Attorney-General.*

The following opinion was received from the Attorney-General, and the same was read and placed on file, to wit : —

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT,  
COMMONWEALTH BUILDING, BOSTON, June 8, 1892.

*To the Honorable the President of the Senate.*

Attorney-General,  
opinion of,  
on certain  
legislation.

As requested by the order of the honorable Senate, I respectfully submit my opinion of the constitutionality of the bill, entitled: "An Act to require railroad corporations to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon all railroad lines in this Commonwealth."

So far as I am informed, no provision of the bill is questioned except that which requires each railroad corporation to accept, for passage upon its line, the mileage tickets of other roads.

It has been the law of Massachusetts since 1831 that all acts of incorporation shall at all times be liable to amendment, alteration or repeal, at the pleasure of the legislature. It is no longer open to doubt that under this reserved power, if not independently of it, the legislature may impose conditions or restrictions upon the exercise of a railroad franchise, within certain limits, which are broad enough to include the reasonable regulation of charges for the carriage of passengers, and the manner in which they may be enforced and collected. It has "the right to make any reasonable amendments regulating the mode in which the franchise granted shall be used and enjoyed, which do not defeat or essentially impair the object of the grant, or take away any property or rights which have become vested under a legitimate exercise of the powers granted." It is settled that, in the exercise of this power, the legislature may subject the corporation to additional burdens or expenses, without making or providing compensation for its reduced profits or the impaired value of its franchise.

The power does not extend so far as to include the absolute taking or destruction of property without compensation; but in determining what regulations or restrictions are reasonable, under particular circumstances, much is left to the discretion of the legislature, with which, if reasonably exercised, the courts will not interfere.

If the requirement to carry passengers at a uniform rate of two cents per mile were in question, it is obvious that the reasonableness of such a requirement would depend upon many facts which might well be a subject of legis-



lative inquiry. I understand, however, that most, if not all, of the corporations to which the bill applies are now and for some time past have been voluntarily issuing and selling mileage tickets at the price of twenty dollars for one thousand miles; and that the question at issue is only of the power of the legislature to require each corporation to accept all these tickets for passage over its own line. The necessity or reasonableness of this requirement, also, depends upon considerations of fact which must be presumed to have been properly examined and weighed by the legislature. It is possible that this might compel a corporation to carry passengers on the receipt of the tickets of another corporation which may be unable to redeem them, or whose credit or financial responsibility may be impaired; but it must be assumed that the legislature has considered this, with the other circumstances of the case, and it may have become satisfied that neither this nor any other injury to the railroads is likely to result from the bill. The constitutionality of a legislative act is not necessarily to be tested by the most extreme case, nor is it necessarily unconstitutional because it might, in some possible contingency, subject a corporation to some burden outside the limits of the reasonable regulation of its business. If this is a reasonable requirement, in the public interest and for the public benefit, under the circumstances which affect the case, it cannot, in my opinion, be said to be beyond the power of the legislature; and I conclude, therefore, that upon its face the bill cannot be declared in violation of the Constitution.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

A. E. PILLSBURY,  
*Attorney-General.*

*Motion to Reconsider.*

Mr. Thayer moved that the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the House Bill to further define the duties of sleeping-car companies, — be reconsidered; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

Sleeping-car  
companies,  
duties of.

## YEAS.

Messrs. Carter, Richard A.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Fernald, B. Marvin

Messrs. Gilman, Gorham D.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Thayer, John R. — 10.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Dame, Luther  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McDonald, James W.  
Mcade, William E.

Messrs. Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H. — 20.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Eaton, William N.  
Kimball, Henry A.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.

Messrs. Ray, William F.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 9.

So the motion to reconsider was negatived.

Cambridge, city  
of, — reservoir.

Mr. Gilman moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which it, yesterday, non concurred in the adoption of the House amendment to the Senate Bill to provide a distributing and higher-service reservoir for the city of Cambridge, — inserting, after section 8, the following new section: "*Sect. 9.* The city of Cambridge shall not pay any taxes on property taken and held under the provisions of section one of this act, but shall annually pay to any other city or town in which any lands so held are situated an amount of money equal to twelve dollars on every one thousand dollars of the average of the assessed valuation of such lands without buildings for the three years next preceding such taking, the valuation for each year being first reduced by the amount of all abatements allowed thereon;" and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 10 to 14.

State printing.

Mr. Provin moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which it, yesterday, non-concurred in the adoption of the House order relative to examining into the present method of awarding the contract for the State printing

and the advisability of establishing a printing office, owned and controlled by the Commonwealth; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.

Messrs. McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Thayer, John R. — 11.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilmau, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 21.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. Ray, William F.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Stevens, Eben S. — 7.

So the motion to reconsider was negatived.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Resolve to provide for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson (introduced on leave in the House), was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Clark, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The Senate Bill in relation to obstructions in buildings resorted to for the purpose of unlawful gaming, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out section 3. On motion of Mr. Thayer, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended and the amendment was forthwith considered and adopted, in concurrence.

State Primary  
School at  
Monson.

Gambling  
places, obstruc-  
tions in.

*Committee of Conference.*

Safe deposit,  
loan and trust  
companies.

The House Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies, came up, the House having concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches, and having appointed Messrs. Howard of Newton, Blodgett of Templeton and O'Neil of Chicopee, the committee on its part.

*House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Stoneham, town  
of, — street rail-  
way company.

A petition of S. A. Hill and others of the town of Stoneham that said town may be enabled to aid in the construction of a street railway company ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Towns.

Braintree, town  
of, — water  
supply.

A petition of the chairman of the water commissioners of the town of Braintree for an amendment of chapter 345 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the water supply of the said town ;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

*Bills and Resolves Laid Before the Governor.*

The following engrossed bills, which were, yesterday, passed to be enacted and signed, were laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Enacted bills  
laid before the  
Governor.

To incorporate the Red Men's Building Association ;

To authorize the town of North Attleborough to purchase the franchise and property of Fire District No. 1 of said town ;

Relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments ;

To incorporate the Plymouth County Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

To establish a naval brigade, to be attached to the volunteer militia ;

To protect the shores and beaches of Boston harbor ;

Providing for the appointment of an inspector of provisions, milk, butter, cheese and vinegar for the city of Lynn ;

In relation to the recovery of costs from insolvent estates ;

To authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan ;

To incorporate the Essex County Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

To incorporate the Beacon Trust Company ;

To authorize the Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad Company to extend its tracks across Lake Quinsigamond ;

To incorporate the city of Everett ;

To authorize the city of Boston to take Jamaica Pond and Ward's Pond for a public park ;

Relating to the assessment of damages for property taken by the city of Fall River for the better protection of its water supply ;

In relation to the detention of material witnesses in cases of felony ;

To repeal chapter 331 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled : " An Act to supply the town of Methuen with water ; "

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners for the county of Norfolk ;

To authorize the city of Fall River to borrow money beyond the limit fixed by law for street improvements, sewers and the erection of school-houses ;

To incorporate the Columbia Trust Company ;

To authorize the towns of Dennis and Yarmouth to unite for the employment of a superintendent of schools ;

In relation to the accounts and records of collectors of taxes ;

To prevent the fraudulent marking of ballots during and subsequent to elections ; and

In relation to proof of claims under life policies and providing certain penalties.

The following engrossed resolves, which were, yesterday, passed and signed, were laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Providing for the better enforcement of the law regulating the practice of pharmacy ;

Providing for the altering, improving, and the perpetual care of the burial lot of Governor William Eustis in the town of Lexington ;

Resolves laid  
before the  
Governor.

Resolves  
laid before the  
Governor.

Providing for printing 1,500 extra copies of the report of the Commissioner on Public Records of Parishes, Towns and Counties; and

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

The following engrossed bills, which had previously been passed to be enacted and which had severally been returned by His Excellency the Governor, at the request of the Senate, were again laid before him for his approbation (the motions to reconsider the enactment thereof having, yesterday, in each case, been withdrawn), to wit:—

Enacted bills  
laid before the  
Governor.

To incorporate the Roxbury Trust Company; and  
To incorporate the West Lynn Trust Company.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Woburn, city  
of, — superin-  
tendent of  
public build-  
ings.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings, was considered; and the question on passing the bill, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, was taken by a call of the yeas and nays, as provided by the Constitution, as follows, to wit:—

#### YEAS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 17.

#### NAYS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Simpkins, John  
Thayer, John R. — 15.

## PAIRED.

YEA.

NAY.

Mr. George K. Nichols (present), Mr. Eben S. Stevens. — 2

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Merritt, Christopher C.Messrs. Ray, William F.  
Shaw, Edward P. — 5.

So the bill failed to pass, two-thirds of the Senate not having voted in the affirmative.

The House Bill relative to counting ballots when voting is in progress, was read a second time; and the question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit:—

Ballots, count  
ing of.

## YEAS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Howard, Robert  
Kimball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.Messrs. McEtrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Thayer, John R. — 16.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Nichols, George K.Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 16.

## PAIRED.

YEA.

NAY.

Mr. William N. Eaton (present), Mr. Gorham D. Gilman — 2.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Ray, William F.Messrs. Shaw, Edward P.  
Stevens, Eben S. — 5.

So the bill was refused a third reading.

**The bills****Bills.**

To amend an act relative to the discharge of small loans, and the redemption of the security given for such loans ;

To amend section 16 of chapter 53 of the Public Statutes, so as to extend its provisions to the selectmen of towns ;

Changing the time of the sitting of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Middlesex ;

To extend the operation of section 2 of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations ; and

Relating to conditional sales of furniture or other household effects ; and

**Resolve.**

The Resolve providing for the payment of certain expenses in connection with the hearing before the Harbor and Land Commissioners relative to building a bridge between Boston and East Boston ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Senate bill.**

The Senate Bill relating to the abolition of certain grade crossings of the Boston and Providence Railroad, was read a third time, as previously amended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**House resolves.**

The House Resolves providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor, were read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**The House reports****House reports.**

Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to so amending chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, that the vote required by section 2 of said act need not pass each branch of the city council and receive the approval of the mayor in the city of Boston, in more than one municipal year ;

Of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to reducing and regulating the price of electricity ;

Of the committee on Manufactures, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to requiring a



more thorough inspection and regulation of the manufacture of gas, of meters, and the appliances, instruments and pipes used in the distribution or out-put of gas; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Harris that Sergeant William H. Carney Camp No. 82, Division of Massachusetts Sons of Veterans, may be permitted to bear arms while on parade;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, at six minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, June 10, 1892.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Wyer in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reconsideration.*

Ballots, counting of.

On motion of Mr. Southwick, by a vote of 14 to 10, the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the House Bill relative to counting ballots when voting is in progress, was reconsidered ; and, on the recurring question, by a vote of 13 to 10, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Boston, city of,  
— construction  
and inspection  
of buildings.

Relating to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston (on two orders and the bill with the same title, introduced on leave in the House) ; and

Gas companies.

Relating to corporations for the manufacture of gas (on an order) ;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next for a second reading.

Reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

Liens.

On the petitions of F. H. Goddard and others for an amendment to the lien law so that a lien may attach for materials as well as for labor (Mr. Kilduff, of the House, dissenting) ; and

Id.

On the petition of Benjamin H. Davidson and others in aid of the petition for an amendment of the lien law so that the same protection shall be given to material that is now given to labor (Mr. Kilduff, of the House, dissenting) ; and

Rapid transit.

Of the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, reference to the next General Court, on the report of the Rapid Transit Commission ; on so much of the Governor's

address as relates to rapid transit; on the petition of William B. Mack and others for incorporation for building an elevated railway; and the order relative to providing for the payment of an annual money tax by all horse and electric railroad companies (House, No. 591) (Messrs. Bacheller and Bennett, of the House, dissenting);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday next.

The House Bill to provide for the retirement of judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties, came up, the House having insisted on its non-concurrence in the reference of the bill to the joint special committee on the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth, and having asked for a committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches, Messrs. McCall of Winchester, Durant of Cambridge and Warren of Boston, being appointed the committee on its part. On motion of Mr. Southwick, the Senate insisted on its reference and concurred in the appointment of the committee of conference.

Judges of  
probate and  
insolvency, re-  
tirement of.

The House Bill relative to the volunteer militia, came up, the House having insisted on its non-concurrence in the adoption of the several Senate amendments, and having asked for the appointment of a committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches, Messrs. Parker of Boston, Crosby of Worcester and Kil-duff of Holyoke, being appointed the committee on its part. On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, the Senate insisted on its amendments and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference.

Volunteer  
militia.

The Senate Bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections, and to provide for publicity of election expenses, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, inserting, in section 6, line 5, after the word "principle," the words "in a public election;" and striking out, in section 23, lines 2 and 3, the words "January in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three," and inserting in place thereof the words "August in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two." On motion of Mr. Smith, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended, and the amendments were forthwith considered and adopted, in concurrence.

Election ex-  
penses, publica-  
tion of.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill relating to the terms of office of mayors of cities, had

Mayors of  
cities, terms of  
office of.

been referred, by that branch, to the next General Court; and

Charles River  
Improvement  
Commission.

That the Senate Resolve providing for the leasing of a room for the use of the Charles River Improvement Commission (introduced on leave in the Senate), had been referred to the next General Court, the House having non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon.

### *House Petitions.*

The following House petitions were severally referred, in concurrence:—

Holyoke, city  
of,— Margaret  
O'Donnell.

A petition of the city of Holyoke that said city may be reimbursed for the amount expended by said city in the support of Margaret O'Donnell, a State pauper;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Arlington, town  
of,— water  
bonds.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Arlington that said town may be authorized to issue additional water scrip or bonds;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Municipal liens  
on real estate,  
recording notice  
of.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the Senate Bill providing for the recording of notice of municipal liens upon any real estate and defining the lands to be affected, was accepted, and the bill was, accordingly, so referred.

Resolve.

The Senate Resolve in favor of the town of Natick, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill relative to the discharge of small loans, and the redemption of the security given for such loans (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Id.

The Senate Bill in relation to the time of payment of the funded debt of the city of Chelsea, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Parkman.

## The House bills

To authorize selectmen of towns to adopt rules and orders for the regulation and control of itinerant musicians and persons coasting in the streets (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Changing the time of the sitting of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Middlesex; and

Relating to shares of the Boston and Maine Railroad subject to the lien of a certain mortgage of the Eastern Railroad Company (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

The House Resolve providing for the payment of certain expenses in connection with the hearing before the Harbor and Land Commissioners relative to building a bridge between Boston and East Boston;

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill relating to conditional sales of furniture or other household effects, was read a third time. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:—

“Section two of chapter three hundred and thirteen of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-four is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following words: ‘And in all cases where fifty per centum or more has been paid upon the contract price, by the vendee, upon default in the conditions of the lease by the vendee, after the expiration of the fifteen days as now provided by law, for the vendee’s equity of redemption, the goods so forfeited shall be sold by the vendor at public auction when the vendee or his legal representative shall request in writing the vendor so to do, and the sale shall be duly advertised in one of the principal newspapers published in the city or town where the goods are situated, or if there is no such paper, in one of the principal newspapers published in such county, notice to be published at least three days prior to the time of the sale, and the balance of the price of said sale, after deducting the balance due the vendor on the contract price and the actual expenses of the auction sale, shall be paid to the vendee or his legal representatives,’ so as to read as follows:—

“‘Sect. 2. The vendor upon taking possession of said furniture or effects for non-compliance with the terms of

House bills.

House resolve.

Furniture,  
conditional  
sales of.

- such contract of sale, shall furnish the vendee or other person in charge of such furniture or effects an itemized statement of the account showing the amount then due thereon; and the fifteen days provided by section thirteen of chapter one hundred and ninety-two of the Public Statutes, during which the vendee shall have the right to redeem the furniture or household effects so taken shall not begin to run until such statement is furnished, provided the vendee or other person in charge can be found by the vendor by the exercise of reasonable care and diligence. And in all cases where fifty per centum or more has been paid upon the contract price, by the vendee, upon default in the conditions of the lease by the vendee, after the expiration of the fifteen days as now provided by law, for the vendee's equity of redemption, the goods so forfeited shall be sold by the vendor at public auction when the vendee or his legal representative shall request in writing the vendor so to do, and the sale shall be duly advertised in one of the principal newspapers published in the city or town where the goods are situated, or if there is no such paper, in one of the principal newspapers published in such county, notice to be published at least three days prior to the time of the sale, and the balance of the price of said sale, after deducting the balance due the vendor on the contract price and the actual expenses of the auction sale, shall be paid to the vendee or his legal representatives.'"

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Smith, postponed until Monday next.

**Senate report.**

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the advisability of changing the present system of recording and indexing the records of deeds, mortgages and other instruments conveying or referring to real estate and the title thereto, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Provin, at eight minutes past twelve o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, June 13, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Committees of Conference.*

The President appointed the following committees of conference, in accordance with the votes passed by the Senate on Friday last, relative to the disagreeing votes of the two branches :—

On the House Bill to provide for the retirement of judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties, —  
Messrs. Fernald, Stevens and Butler.

Judges of probate and insolvency, retirement of.

On the House Bill relative to the volunteer militia, —  
Messrs. Read of Middlesex, Clark and Coveney.

Volunteer militia.

*Taken from the Table.*

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Senate Bill to compel the Boston and Maine Railroad Company to furnish suitable depot accommodations at Lynn, was taken from the table; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Baker, referred to the next General Court.

Boston & Maine Railroad Company, — depot accommodations at Lynn.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Senate Report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William L. Mooney for a law to require the elevation of a portion of the road-beds and tracks of the Providence division of the Old Colony Railroad between Chickering station and Forest Hills, — was taken from the table and accepted.

Old Colony Railroad, — elevation of certain portions of road-bed on Providence division.

Sent down for concurrence. On motion of the same Senator, Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the House reports

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to authorizing all cities and towns to grant pensions to policemen and firemen injured in the discharge of their duty ;

Policemen and firemen, pensioning of.

Boston, city of,  
— county tax.

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to providing that the county tax and the expenditures for county purposes be excluded in determining the limit of indebtedness and the rate of taxation in the city of Boston; and

Boston, city of,  
— sinking fund.

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to enabling the city of Boston, or the sinking fund commissioners thereof, to cancel and extinguish the obligations of the city now or hereafter held by said commissioners;

Were severally taken from the table and accepted, in concurrence.

Mileage tickets.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the House Bill to require railroad corporations to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon all railroad lines in this Commonwealth, — was taken from the table. Pending the question on passing the same to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Raymond moved that the bill be amended, by adding at the end of section 2 the words “and said tickets shall be a preferred claim against any railroad issuing such tickets,” and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 5 to 11 (a quorum being present). The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 15 to 9. On further motion of Mr. Smith, Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended.

Cape Cod  
Canal, —  
Thomas H.  
Bacon *et al.*

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas H. Bacon, Martin P. Kennard and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company, for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay (and sundry petitions in aid thereof), — was taken from the table; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Champlin, by a vote of 14 to 9, postponed until to-morrow, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

Cape Cod  
Canal, —  
Boston, Cape  
Cod and New  
York Canal  
Company.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company for an amendment of the act to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company and of its own charter, — was taken from the table. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Simp-



kins moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until Wednesday next, and this motion was lost, by a vote of 8 to 13. On motion of Mr. Champlin, the further consideration thereof was postponed until to-morrow, to be placed second in the Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George S. Hall and others for the repeal of the charter of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, or for the grant of a similar charter to said Hall and others, — was taken from the table; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. West, postponed until to-morrow, to be placed third in the Orders of the Day.

Cape Cod Canal, — George S. Hall *et alis*.

### *Petitions.*

Mr. Butler presented a petition of the selectmen of the town of Spencer that said town may be authorized to use the McTammany system of balloting at its annual election in April, 1893, — and moved a suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon. The Senate refused to suspend the rule and the petition was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

Spencer, town of, — McTammany system of balloting.

Mr. West presented a petition of the Rapid Transit Commission that said commission may be discharged from further service and dissolved, — and moved a suspension of the 12th joint rule thereon. The rule was suspended, and the petition was, on motion of the same Senator, referred to the joint special committee on Rapid Transit.

Rapid Transit Commission.

Sent down for concurrence.

### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill providing for an additional trial justice in Dukes County (on the petition of the sheriff and others of said county), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Dukes County, additional trial justice in.

### Bills

To provide for the payment of transportation of State publications furnished to free public libraries (on an order); and

Public Libraries, — transportation of State publications.

State House  
extension.

To provide an open space on the east side of the State House extension (on the petition of A. J. Bailey) ;

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Messengers, and  
pages.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a Resolve in favor of the messengers and pages of the Senate and House of Representatives (introduced on leave in the House) ; and the same was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

### *Bills Enacted.*

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings on Chelsea Bridge and Chelsea Bridge Avenue in the city of Boston ; and

Authorizing the appointment of water commissioners for the city of Quincy, and providing means for the purchase of the franchise, corporate property and all the rights and privileges of the Quincy Water Company.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Furniture, etc.,  
conditional sales  
of.

The House Bill relating to conditional sales of furniture or other household effects, was considered, the main question being on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence. On motion of Mr. Butler, the pending amendment, recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was amended, by striking out, in each case, before the words "per centum or more," the word "fifty," and inserting in place thereof the word "seventy-five ;" and by inserting, after the words "legal representatives," in each case, the words "and in case the vendor refuses or neglects to sell as provided herein, the right to redeem shall not be deemed to have been foreclosed." The pending amendment, as amended, was then adopted, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. On motion of Mr. Butler, Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended.

The Bill relating to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. <sup>Bill.</sup>

The House Bill relating to corporations for the manufacture of gas, was read a second time and refused a third reading. <sup>Gas companies.</sup>

The Senate Resolve in favor of the town of Natick, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. <sup>Senate resolve.</sup>

Sent down for concurrence. On motion of Mr. Butler, Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended.

The House Bill relative to counting ballots when voting is in progress, was considered ; and the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, was determined as follows, to wit : — <sup>Ballots, counting of.</sup>

YEAS.

Messrs Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Howard, Robert  
Kiniball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.

Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S  
Thayer, John R. — 18.

NAYS.

Messrs Clark, Wilder P.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 12.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. Edward P. Shaw,

NAY.

Mr. Francis H. Raymond (present). — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Dame, Luther  
Eaton, William N.

Messrs. Hickox, Stephen A.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Ray, William F. — 7.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. On motion of Mr. Read of Middlesex, Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended.

**The House reports****House reports.**

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of F. H. Goddard and others for an amendment to the lien law so that a lien may attach for materials as well as for labor; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Benjamin H. Davidson and others in aid of the petition for an amendment of the lien law so that the same protection shall be given to material that is now given to labor;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

**Rapid transit.**

The House Report of the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, reference to the next General Court, on the report of the Rapid Transit Commission; on so much of the Governor's address as relates to rapid transit; on the petition of William B. Mack and others for incorporation for building an elevated railway; and the order relative to providing for the payment of an annual money tax by all horse and electric railroad companies, — was considered; and, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. McDonald, postponed until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. McNary, at twenty-four minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, June 14, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain of the House of Representatives.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Butler, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill providing for an additional trial justice in Dukes County, ought to pass ; Dukes County, county of, — additional trial justice.

Read a second and a third time, under a suspension of the rules, moved by the same Senator, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows : "An Act providing for an additional trial justice in the county of Dukes County." On further motion of Mr. Butler, Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill to provide an open space on the east side of the State House extension, ought to pass ; State House extension.

Read a second and a third time, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Reade of Suffolk, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. On further motion of Mr. Reade of Suffolk, Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended.

By Mr. Stevens, from the same committee, that the House Bill to provide for the payment of transportation of State publications furnished to free public libraries, ought to pass ; Public libraries, — transportation of State publications.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Parkman, from the committee on Rules, on an order, recommending the adoption of the following order : —

*Ordered*, That the number of miles travel from the capitol to the several towns and cities of this Commonwealth for which mileage and compensation for travel Schedule for mileage and travelling compensation.

shall be allowed and paid the members of the Senate for the present session, and until a new schedule shall be established, shall be as hereinafter set forth :—

Abington, 20; Acton, 25; Acushnet, 55; Adams, 150; Agawam, 105; Alford, 185; Amesbury, 45; Amherst, 100; Andover, 25; Arlington, 10; Ashburnham, 65; Ashby, 55; Ashfield, 135; Ashland, 25; Athol, 85; Attleborough, 35; Auburn, 50; Avon, 20; Ayer, 35; Barnstable, 85; Barre, 65; Becket, 145; Bedford, 20; Belchertown, 95; Bellingham, 30; Belmont, 10; Berkley, 40; Berlin, 40; Bernardston, 115; Beverly, 20; Billerica, 20; Blackstone, 35; Blandford, 120; Bolton, 45; Boston, 5; Bourne, 65; Boxborough, 30; Boxford, 30; Boylston, 50; Bradford, 35; Braintree, 15; Brewster, 95; Bridgewater, 30; Brimfield, 85; BROCKTON, 25; Brookfield, 70; Brookline, 5; Buckland, 115; Burlington, 15; CAMBRIDGE, 5; Canton, 15; Carlisle, 25; Carver, 45; Charlemont, 130; Charlton, 65; Chatham, 100; Chelmsford, 30; CHELSEA, 5; Cheshire, 160; Chester, 130; Chesterfield, 130; CHICOPEE, 105; Chilmark, 100; Clarksburg, 145; Clinton, 45; Cohasset, 25; Colrain, 125; Concord, 20; Conway, 125; Cottage City, 100; Cummington, 135; Dalton, 145; Dana, 80; Danvers, 25; Dartmouth, 65; Dedham, 10; Deerfield, 110; Dennis, 85; Dighton, 40; Douglas, 50; Dover, 15; Dracut, 35; Dudley, 60; Dunstable, 40; Duxbury, 35; East Bridgewater, 25; Eastham, 100; Easthampton, 120; Easton, 25; Edgartown, 100; Egremont, 185; Enfield, 110; Erving, 90; Essex, 30; Everett, 5; Fairhaven, 60; FALL RIVER, 55; Falmouth, 70; FITCHBURG, 50; Florida, 135; Foxborough, 30; Framingham, 25; Franklin, 30; Freetown, 50; Gardner, 65; Gay Head, 100; Georgetown, 30; Gill, 110; GLOUCESTER, 35; Goshen, 130; Gosnold, 100; Grafton, 40; Granby, 110; Granville, 120; Great Barrington, 180; Greenfield, 105; Greenwich, 120; Groton, 40; Groveland, 35; Hadley, 105; Halifax, 30; Hamilton, 30; Hampden, 110; Hancock, 165; Hanover, 25; Hanson, 25; Hardwick, 65; Harvard, 40; Harwich, 90; Hatfield, 120; HAVERHILL, 35; Hawley, 135; Heath, 135; Hingham, 20; Hinsdale, 145; Holbrook, 15; Holden, 55; Holland, 100; Holliston, 25; HOLYOKE, 110; Hopedale, 35; Hopkinton, 30; Hubbardston, 70; Hudson, 35; Hull, 25; Huntington, 120; Hyde Park, 10; Ipswich, 30; Kingston, 35; Lakeville, 40; Lancaster, 45; Lanesborough, 155; LAWRENCE, 30; Lee, 165; Leicester, 50; Lenox, 160; Leominster, 55; Leverett, 110; Lexington, 10; Leyden, 115; Lincoln, 20; Littleton, 35; Longmeadow, 105; LOWELL, 30; Ludlow, 110; Lunenburg, 45; LYNN, 15; Lynnfield, 15; MALDEN, 5; Manchester, 25; Mansfield, 25; Marblehead, 20; Marion, 50; MARLBOROUGH, 35; Marshfield, 35; Mashpee, 65; Mattapoisett, 55; Maynard, 30;

Medfield, 20; Medford, 10; Medway, 30; Melrose, 10; Mendon, 40; Merrimac, 45; Methuen, 35; Middleborough, 35; Middlefield, 135; Middleton, 25; Milford, 35; Millbury, 50; Millis, 25; Milton, 10; Monroe, 140; Monson, 90; Montague, 110; Monterey, 185; Montgomery, 120; Mount Washington, 190; Nahant, 15; Nantucket, 120; Natick, 20; Needham, 15; New Ashford, 150; NEW BEDFORD, 55; New Braintree, 70; Newbury, 35; NEWBURYPORT, 40; New Marlborough, 180; New Salem, 90; NEWTON, 10; Norfolk, 25; North Adams, 145; NORTHAMPTON, 115; North Andover, 30; North Attleborough, 40; Northborough, 40; Northbridge, 50; North Brookfield, 70; Northfield, 105; North Reading, 20; Norton, 35; Norwell, 30; Norwood, 15; Oakham, 60; Orange, 90; Orleans, 100; Otis, 170; Oxford, 60; Palmer, 85; Paxton, 55; Peabody, 20; Pelham, 120; Pembroke, 30; Pepperell, 45; Peru, 150; Petersham, 90; Phillipston, 90; PITTSFIELD, 150; Plainfield, 140; Plymouth, 40; Plympton, 35; Prescott, 90; Princeton, 60; Provincetown, 125; QUINCY, 10; Randolph, 15; Raynham, 35; Reading, 15; Rehoboth, 40; Revere, 5; Richmond, 160; Rochester, 50; Rockland, 20; Rockport, 35; Rowe, 135; Rowley, 35; Royalston, 80; Russell, 120; Rutland, 55; SALEM, 20; Salisbury, 40; Sandisfield, 180; Sandwich, 65; Saugus, 10; Savoy, 160; Scituate, 30; Seekonk, 40; Sharon, 20; Sheffield, 185; Shelburne, 125; Sherborn, 25; Shirley, 40; Shrewsbury, 60; Shutesbury, 115; Somerset, 45; SOMERVILLE, 5; Southampton, 120; Southborough, 30; Southbridge, 70; South Hadley, 115; Southwick, 115; Spencer, 65; SPRINGFIELD, 100; Sterling, 60; Stockbridge, 170; Stoneham, 10; Stoughton, 20; Stow, 30; Sturbridge, 75; Sudbury, 25; Sunderland, 110; Sutton, 55; Swampscott, 15; Swansey, 50; TAUNTON, 40; Templeton, 75; Tewksbury, 25; Tisbury, 100; Tolland, 130; Topsfield, 25; Townsend, 45; Truro, 120; Tyngsborough, 35; Tyringham, 170; Upton, 45; Uxbridge, 45; Wakefield, 10; Wales, 95; Walpole, 20; WALTHAM, 10; Ware, 75; Wareham, 50; Warren, 75; Warwick, 95; Washington, 140; Watertown, 10; Wayland, 20; Webster, 60; Wellesley, 15; Wellfleet, 110; Wendell, 95; Wenham, 25; Westborough, 35; West Boylston, 50; West Bridgewater, 25; West Brookfield, 70; Westfield, 110; Westford, 35; Westhampton, 125; Westminster, 55; West Newbury, 40; Weston, 15; Westport, 65; West Springfield, 100; West Stockbridge, 165; West Tisbury, 100; Weymouth, 15; Whately, 120; Whitman, 25; Wilbraham, 90; Williamsburg, 125; Williamstown, 150; Wilmington, 15; Winchendon, 70; Winchester, 10; Windsor, 155; Winthrop, 10; WOBURN, 10; WORCESTER, 45; Worthington, 135; Wrentham, 25; Yarmouth, 80.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for tomorrow.

Lobby.

By Mr. Smith, from the joint committee on Rules, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the report of the Attorney-General as relates to the lobby law ;

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator.

Sent down for concurrence. On further motion of Mr. Smith, Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended.

Insurance Com-  
missioner, re-  
port of, on  
life, casualty  
and assessment  
insurance.

By Mr. Provin, from the committee on Insurance, reference to the next General Court, on Part II. of the thirty-seventh annual report of the Insurance Commissioner relating to life, casualty and assessment insurance ;

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator.

Sent down for concurrence. On further motion of Mr. Provin, Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended.

Holyoke, city  
of, — Margaret  
O'Donnell.

By Mr. Meade, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the city of Holyoke that said city may be reimbursed for the amount expended by said city in the support of Margaret O'Donnell, a State pauper ;

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator.

Sent down for concurrence. On further motion of Mr. Meade, Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended.

### *Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Coveney, —

Hour of meet-  
ing.

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns to-day, it adjourn to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Vermont pri-  
soners, detention  
of, in Massa-  
chusetts.

A Bill authorizing the authorities of Vermont to detain and transport prisoners through Massachusetts, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Province lands  
of Cape Cod.

A Bill for the improvement of the lands belonging to the Commonwealth at Provincetown, in the county of Barnstable (on the petitions of the trustees of Public Reservations and others, recommitted), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.



A Bill to prohibit the deduction of wages of employees engaged at weaving (on an order), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Employees engaged at weaving, deduction of wages of.

A Bill to provide for the improvement of the water works, water supply and water service of the town of Arlington (on the petition of the selectmen of said town), was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Raymond, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. On further motion of the same Senator, Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended.

Arlington, town of, — water supply.

A Bill relating to the water supply of the town of Braintree (on the petition of the chairman of the water commissioners of said town), was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Eaton, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. On motion of Mr. Butler, Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended.

Braintree, town of, — water supply.

A Resolve in favor of the messengers and pages of the Senate and House of Representatives (introduced on leave in the House), was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Drury, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. On further motion of the same Senator, Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended.

Messengers and pages.

A Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the order relative to legislation concerning all foreign corporations doing business within this State, so as to provide that they shall annually furnish the Commissioner of Corporations with a statement under oath containing a list of all the stockholders in such corporations, the residence of each and the number of shares held by each, — was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Gilman.

Foreign corporations.

A Report of the committee on Military Affairs, made under section 89 of chapter 14 of the Public Statutes, on the condition of the State arsenal and camp-ground at South Framingham, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Read of Middlesex.

State arsenal and camp-ground at South Framingham.

### *Report.*

Part II. of the thirty-seventh annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to life, casualty and

Insurance Commissioner, report of.

assessment insurance, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Insurance.

Damages for  
laying out high-  
ways, assess-  
ment of.

The Senate Bill relating to the assessment of damages for the laying out or alteration of highways, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the following amendments: In section 1, line 7, inserting, after the word "anew," the word "altering;" in section 2, line 2, adding, after the word "by," the words "inserting after the words 'laying out,' in the second line the words 'locating anew, widening,' also by;" in the same section, line 11, inserting, after the words "laying out," the words "locating anew, widening;" in section 3, lines 6 and 7, striking out the words "said street commissioners acting for," and inserting in place thereof the words "damages sustained in any case specified in the preceding section shall be paid by the city of Boston and;" in the same section, line 8, inserting, after the word "of," the word "such;" in the same section, lines 9 and 10, striking out the words "sustained in any case specified in the preceding section;" also in section 4, line 14, striking out the word "shall," and inserting in place thereof the word "may."

On motion of Mr. Fernald, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended and the amendments were forthwith considered and adopted, in concurrence. On further motion of the same Senator, Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended.

Special police  
officers, ap-  
pointment of.

The Senate Bill prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth as special police officers, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, striking out, in section 1, lines 7 to 19, the words commencing with the words "each person," and concluding with the words "penalties thereof;" and striking out, in section 1, all after the word "employee," in line 24. On motion of Mr. McEttrick, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended, and the amendments were forthwith considered and adopted, in concurrence. On further motion of the same Senator, Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended.

Boston, city of,  
— city hall.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill relating to the taking of land for a city hall for the city of Boston; and

Proxy, voting  
by, in certain  
cases.

The Senate Bill to allow members of certain charitable and other corporations to vote by proxy, — had severally been rejected by that branch.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a Resolve relative to the observance of the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America (introduced on leave in the House); and the same was returned to the House for its action.

Discovery of America, — observance of 400th anniversary.

### *House Petition.*

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition of William H. Pease and other citizens of Brockton for legislation prohibiting the drawing off of the water of certain ponds in said city to such an extent as to be injurious to health, — and the same was, accordingly, under said rule, referred to the next General Court.

Brockton, city of, — water supply.

### *Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House) were severally passed, and were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Providing for repairing damage caused by fire at the State Primary School at Monson; and  
In relation to the State printing.

Resolves passed and laid before the Governor.

### *Discharged from the Orders.*

On motion of Mr. Champlin, the House Bill relating to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston, was discharged from the Orders of the Day, under a suspension of Senate Rule 36, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. On motion of Mr. Parkman, Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended.

Boston, city of, — inspection of buildings.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas H. Bacon, Martin P. Kennard and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay (and sundry petitions in aid thereof), was considered, the question being on the acceptance thereof. Mr. Champlin moved that the report be amended by the substitution of a "Bill to incorporate the Bass River Canal Company."

Cape Cod Canal, — Thomas H. Bacon et al.

On motion of Mr. Butler, it was voted that the debate be closed at four o'clock unless a vote was sooner reached. Subsequently, this time was, by unanimous consent, on motions severally of Messrs. Butler and West, extended until nineteen minutes past four o'clock, at which hour the vote on the adoption of the amendment was taken and the amendment was rejected.

The report was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Cape Cod Canal, — Cape Cod Ship Canal Company.

The Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company for an amendment of the act to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company and of its own charter, — was considered. Mr. McNary moved that the report be amended by the substitution of a "Bill in relation to the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company." Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, the further consideration thereof was, on motion of Mr. Simpkins, postponed until to-morrow.

Cape Cod Canal, — Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company.

The Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George S. Hall and others for the repeal of the charter of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, or for the grant of a similar charter to said Hall and others, — was considered, the question being on the acceptance thereof. Mr. West moved that the report be amended by the substitution of a "Bill to incorporate the Cape and Coast Canal Company," and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 8 to 13. The report was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

House report.

The House Report of the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, reference to the next General Court, on the report of the Rapid Transit Commission; on so much of the Governor's address as relates to rapid transit; on the petition of William B. Mack and others for incorporation for building an elevated railway; and the order relative to providing for the payment of an annual money tax by all horse and electric railroad companies, — was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gilman, at twenty minutes before six o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

WEDNESDAY, June 15, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Smith, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill authorizing the authorities of Vermont to detain and transport prisoners through Massachusetts, ought to pass ;

Vermont prisoners, detention of, in Massachusetts.

Read a second and a third time, under a suspension of the rules, moved by the same Senator, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows : " An Act authorizing the authorities of Vermont to detain and transport prisoners in and through Massachusetts."

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill for the improvement of the lands belonging to the Commonwealth at Provincetown, in the county of Barnstable, ought to pass ;

Province lands of Cape Cod.

Read a second and a third time, under a suspension of the rules, moved by the same Senator, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

By Mr. West, from the joint special committee on Rapid Transit, on the petition of the same, a Bill to dissolve the Rapid Transit Commission ;

Rapid Transit Commission.

Read twice, under a suspension of the rules, moved by the same Senator, and ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee of conference, to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches regarding the House Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies, — that they were unable to agree ;

Safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Motions to Reconsider.*

Cape Cod Canal,  
— Thomas H.  
Bacon *et als.*

Mr. Champlin moved that the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, accepted the Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas H. Bacon, Martin P. Kennard and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company for the purpose of building a canal from the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound to Cape Cod Bay, — be reconsidered; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 5 to 9 (a quorum being present).

Cape Cod Canal,  
— Boston, Cape  
Cod and New  
York Canal  
Company.

Mr. West moved that the vote by which the Senate, yesterday, accepted the Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George S. Hall and others for the repeal of the charter of the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, or for the grant of a similar charter to said Hall and others, — be reconsidered. The same Senator further moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table, and this latter motion was negatived. The motion to reconsider was also negatived.

*Orders Adopted.*

Senate Rule  
No. 8.

On motion of Mr. Smith, —

*Ordered*, That, for the remainder of the session, Senate Rule No. 8 be suspended, unless otherwise ordered.

Each session a  
legislative day.

On motion of Mr. McNary, —

*Ordered*, That each session of the Senate shall constitute a legislative day, and that whenever the Senate is in session at a quarter before one o'clock P.M. the President shall declare an adjournment until two o'clock P.M.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Conway, town  
of, — town  
meeting.

A Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Conway (on the petition of the selectmen of said town), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Votes, canvassing of.

A Bill requiring votes to be canvassed by two election officers of one political party under the supervision of an election officer of another political party (on an order), was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the afternoon session for a second reading.

A Bill to enable the town of Stoneham to aid in the construction of a street railway (on the petition of S. A. Hill and others), was read. On motion of Mr. Fernald, the rule was suspended and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Stoneham, town  
of, — street  
railway.

The Senate Bill relating to lotteries and policy lotteries, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, adding the following new section: "*Sect. 2.* The printing, advertising, issuing or delivery of any ticket, paper, document or material representing or purporting to represent the existence of or an interest in a lottery, policy lottery, game or hazard, shall be *prima facie* evidence of the existence, location and drawing of such lottery, policy lottery, game or hazard; and the issuing or delivery of any such paper, ticket, document or material shall be *prima facie* evidence of value received therefor by the person or persons, company or corporation who issues or delivers or knowingly aids or abets in the issuing or delivering of such paper, ticket, document or material." On motion of Mr. Fernald, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended, and the amendment was forthwith considered and adopted, in concurrence.

Lotteries.

The Senate Bill to provide a distributing and higher-service reservoir for the city of Cambridge, came up, with the endorsement that the House receded from its amendment, inserting a new section after section 8 (in which amendment the Senate had non-concurred).

Cambridge, city  
of, — reservoir.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a Bill to authorize the town of Brookline to issue certain bonds (introduced on leave in the House); and the same was returned to the House for its action.

Brookline, town  
of, — bonds.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill relating to the appointment and removal of the officers of the State Prison at Boston, had been rejected by that branch.

State Prison, —  
appointment  
and removal of  
officers.

### *Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Relating to pensioning members of the police department of cities containing not less than seventy-five thousand inhabitants;

Bill enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

To provide for the establishment of city governments;  
To amend an act imposing a tax on collateral legacies  
and successions;

To authorize the town of Whitman to purchase land and  
water rights in the town of East Bridgewater for an electric  
light plant, and to furnish electric light to the last-named  
town;

To authorize the town of Bridgewater to lay out a high-  
way over a portion of the land of the Bridgewater Normal  
School;

To authorize the city of Chicopee to introduce a public  
water supply;

Making appropriations for additional cell room for the  
Massachusetts Reformatory and for certain other expenses  
authorized by law;

Relating to sidewalks in the city of Boston;

Relating to sewers in the city of Boston;

To authorize the Central Massachusetts Railroad Com-  
pany to issue bonds;

Relating to the duties and compensation of expert  
assistants appointed by the State Board of Arbitration  
and Conciliation;

To authorize the city of Marlborough to acquire an addi-  
tional water supply; and

To establish the salary of the reporter of decisions of  
the Supreme Judicial Court, and to provide clerk hire and  
incidental expenses.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated  
in the Senate) were severally passed, and, with the above-  
named bills, were signed and laid before the Governor for  
his approbation, to wit:—

Resolves  
passed, etc.

Providing for consolidating and arranging the laws  
relating to elections;

Providing for an investigation of the burdens imposed  
on this Commonwealth by the immigration of paupers and  
criminals; and

Providing for the purchase of land and buildings, and  
for the construction of a silo for the Westborough Insane  
Hospital.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Public libraries,  
—transporta-  
tion of State  
publications.

The House Bill to provide for the payment of transpor-  
tation of State publications furnished to free public libra-



ries, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Parkman, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Rules, on the order relative to preparing a mileage schedule for the Senate to be used in computing travelling distances, in accordance with the provisions of section 4 of chapter 59 of the Acts of the year 1892, recommending the adoption of an order printed as Senate, No. 262, — was accepted, and the order was accordingly adopted. Senate report.

The Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company for an amendment of the act to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company and of its own charter, was considered, the main question being on the acceptance thereof, with the amendment, previously moved by Mr. McNary, pending; but, without action thereon, the hour of adjournment having arrived, — Cape Cod Canal,  
— Boston, Cape  
Cod and New  
York Canal  
Company.

At a quarter before one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned to meet at two o'clock P.M.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

#### *Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Clark, from the committee on Expenditures, on the petition of John W. Coveney, a Resolve in favor of Margaret McDonald; Margaret  
McDonald.

Read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by the same Senator, and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

By Mr. McNary, from the committee on Printing, on the report of said commissioners, a Resolve providing for the printing of five hundred additional copies of part second of the report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks; Commissioners  
of Savings  
Banks, report  
of.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury.

Subsequently, Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, reported that the resolve ought to pass, and the same was read a second and a third time, under a suspension of the rules, moved by the same Senator, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Board of Registration in Dentistry, report of.

By Mr. Nichols, from the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry;

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator.

Sent down for concurrence.

### *Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Parkman, —

Hour of meeting.

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns to-day, it adjourn to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Brookline, town of, — bonds.

A Bill to authorize the town of Brookline to issue certain bonds (introduced on leave in the House), was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Coveney, and ordered to a third reading.

Discovery of America, — observance of 400th anniversary.

A Resolve relative to the observance of the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America (introduced on leave in the House), was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Butler, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Volunteer militia.

A Report of the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill relative to the volunteer militia, — that they were unable to agree, came up, the House having accepted the same and having asked for a new committee of conference, Messrs. Rideout of Cambridge, Fiske of Ashland and Burke of Quincy, being appointed the committee on its part.

The report was accepted, in concurrence, and, on motion of Mr. Wyer, the Senate concurred in the appointment of a new committee of conference and Messrs. Wyer, Nichols and Eaton were appointed the committee on its part.

*Report.*

A Report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

Board of Registration in Dentistry, report of.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate bills

To define the exemptions from the civil service rules ;

Civil service rules.

To provide for the compensation of persons wrongfully arrested, — had severally been referred, by that branch, to the next General Court.

Persons wrongfully arrested, compensation of.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting-house of said society, and to prohibit further interments therein, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, striking out all of section 1 after the word " therein," in line 15 ; striking out, in section 2, line 5, after the word " been," the word " accepted," and inserting in place thereof the words " filed in the clerk's office of the Superior Court for the county of Suffolk ;" striking out, in section 2, lines 8 and 9, the words " in such trial the measure of damages shall be the sums fixed by section 1 ;" and striking out, in section 3, line 19, the words " such a tomb as is specified in section 1," and inserting in place thereof the words " a tomb, similar to the one taken, either in Forest Hills or Mount Auburn Cemetery."

Park Street Congregational Society in Boston.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended and the amendments were forthwith considered. The Senate non-concurred therein and the bill was returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

Subsequently, the bill was returned with the endorsement that the House insisted and asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, Messrs. Tucker of New Bedford, Wellman of Malden and Dolan of Boston, being appointed the committee on its part.

On motion of Mr. Fernald, the Senate insisted on its non-concurrence, and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference ; and Messrs. Fernald, Smith and Provin, were appointed the committee on its part.

Safe deposit,  
loan and trust  
companies.

The Senate Report of the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies—that they were unable to agree, — came up, the House having concurred in the acceptance of the report and having asked for a new committee of conference, Messrs Durant of Cambridge, Moriarty of Worcester and Woodsum of Braintree, being appointed the committee on its part.

On motion of Mr. Baker, the Senate concurred in the appointment of a new committee of conference and Messrs. Baker, Kennedy and Dame, were appointed the committee on its part.

### *House Order Laid Over.*

The question on concurring in the adoption of the following House order was, at the request of Mr. Smith, postponed until to-morrow, to wit:—

Rules for introduction of business into General Court, etc., — joint special committee to sit during recess.

*Ordered*, That a joint special committee be appointed to consist of the President and two members on the part of the Senate, and the Speaker and seven members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and examine into the system of introducing business into the General Court, the joint rules and those of each of the two branches, the salaries of members, and the expense of the legislative branch of the government; to hear such evidence as may be submitted after public notice of the time and place of the committee's meetings, and to consider what steps should be taken to shorten the sessions and expedite the business of the General Court.

Said committee shall report to the next General Court, not later than the second Wednesday of January, 1893, the result of their investigation, together with such recommendations in relation thereto as may seem proper to be made.

Said committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who shall also furnish all the necessary stationery and postage; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the committee; and the members thereof shall be paid such compensation and allowed such expenditures as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

*House Orders.*

The following House orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

*Ordered*, That a joint special committee be appointed to consist of three members upon the part of the Senate, and eight members upon the part of the House, to consider the expediency and justice of disbarring from employment in the capacity of a legislative counsel or agent, according to the provisions of section 4 of chapter 456 of the Acts of 1890, Horace K. Osborne.

Horace K.  
Osborne, dis-  
barment of.

The President appointed Messrs. Butler, Reade of Suffolk and West, the committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down to be joined.

Came up, and Messrs. L. M. Clark of Boston, Warren of Boston, Nutting of Northampton, Kilduff of Holyoke, Savage of Lowell, Richmond of Freetown, Lougee of Salem and Low of Brockton, were joined on the part of the House.

*Ordered*, That the committee appointed to consider the expediency and justice of disbarring from employment in the capacity of a legislative counsel or agent, Horace K. Osborne, be authorized to send for persons and papers and employ a stenographer and to report in print.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit : —

In relation to the time of payment of the funded debt of the city of Chelsea ;

Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.

Relating to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Brockton ;

Relative to obstructions in buildings resorted to for the purpose of unlawful gaming ;

To authorize selectmen of towns to adopt rules and orders for the regulation and control of itinerant musicians and persons coasting in the streets ;

Relating to shares of the Boston and Maine Railroad, subject to the lien of a certain mortgage of the Eastern Railroad Company ;

Changing the time of the sitting of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Middlesex ;

To require railroad corporations to provide mileage tickets which shall be accepted for passage and fare upon all railroad lines in this Commonwealth ; and

Relative to the taking of lobsters.

The following engrossed resolves (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed, and, with the above-named bills, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

Resolves  
passed, etc.

Relative to an exhibit of road making and road-making machinery at the World's Columbian Exposition ;

Providing for leasing and furnishing a room to be used as a laboratory by the State Board of Health ;

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes ;

In favor of the messengers and pages of the Senate and House of Representatives ;

Providing for the payment of certain expenses in connection with the hearing before the Harbor and Land Commissioners relative to building a bridge between Boston and East Boston ; and

Providing for submitting to the people the article of amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Cape Cod  
Canal, — Cape  
Cod Ship Canal  
Company.

The unfinished business of the morning session, — *i.e.*, the Senate Report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company for an amendment of the act to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company and of its own charter, — was considered, the main question being on the acceptance thereof. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. McNary, to substitute for the report a "Bill in relation to the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company," was adopted and the bill was substituted and read. On motion of Mr. McNary, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second time. The question on ordering the bill to a third reading was then determined as follows, to wit : —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Kennedy, Patrick J.  
McNary, William S.

Messrs. Merritt, Christopher C.  
Parkman, Henry  
Provin, William  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Reade, John (Suffolk)—13.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Dame, Luther  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert  
Kimball, Henry A.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F.—17.

## PAIRED.

## YEA.

Mr. John E. Drury,

## NAY.

Mr. James W. McDonald (present).—2.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Carberry, William H.  
Eaton, William N.  
Gilman, Gorham D.

Messrs. Meade, William E.  
Ray, William F.  
Shaw, Edward P.—7.

So the bill was refused a third reading.

The House Bill to prohibit the deduction of wages of <sup>Employees en-</sup> employees engaged at weaving, was read a second time. <sup>gaged at</sup> <sup>weaving.</sup> Mr. Stevens moved that the bill be amended by adding, at the end of section 1, the words “ *Provided, however,* that a sale of cloth below the average price of corresponding goods, or as seconds, caused by imperfect weaving, shall be conclusive evidence and warrant for fines against the employee,” — and this amendment was rejected. The bill was then ordered to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Stevens, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill requiring votes to be canvassed by two election <sup>Bill</sup> officers of one political party under the supervision of an election officer of another political party, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to dissolve the Rapid Transit Commission, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Stoneham, town  
of, — street  
railway.

The House Bill to enable the town of Stoneham to aid in the construction of a street railway, was read a third time. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out, in section 3, line 3, the words "duly called, whether," and inserting in place thereof the word "legally;" and striking out, in the same section, lines 3 and 4, the words "or within one year after." These amendments were adopted and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments.

The same Senator, from the same committee, further reported recommending that the title be amended by striking out the word "enable," and inserting in place thereof the word "authorize," and this amendment was also adopted.

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments.

On motion of Mr. Coveney, at three minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.



THURSDAY, June 16, 1892.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, Conway, town of,—town meeting.  
that the House Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Conway, ought to pass ;

Read a second and a third time, under a suspension of the rules, moved by the same Senator, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

*Reconsideration.*

Mr. Read of Middlesex moved that the vote by which Cape Cod Canal,—Cape Cod Ship Canal Company.  
the Senate, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Senate "Bill in relation to the Cape Cod Ship Canal Company,"—be reconsidered ; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit :—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Drury, John E.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Provin, William  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 15.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
McEttrick, Michael J.

Messrs. Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 14.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

Mr. John Reade (Suffolk),  
Mr. William M. Butler,  
Mr. Patrick J. Kennedy (present),

## NAYS.

Mr. James W. McDonald (present).  
Mr. Henry A. Kimball (present).  
Mr. William H. West. — 6.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Hickox, Stephen A.

Messrs. Meade, William E.  
Ray, William F. — 4.

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

On the recurring question, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

## Tuberculosis.

A Bill relative to the prevention of the spread of tuberculosis (on the message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting certain documents relating to the subject), was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Chronic insane,  
asylum for.

A Bill to provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane (being a new draft of the Senate bill with the same title), was read. On motion of Mr. Southwick, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second and a third time. Mr. Simpkins, from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended, by striking out, in section 4, lines 10 and 11, the words "are hereby made a part of this act," and inserting in place thereof the words "shall apply to said asylum and to persons committed thereto," — and this amendment was adopted. The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Intoxicating  
liquors, — num-  
ber of licenses.

A Report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to repealing chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1888, entitled: "An Act to limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors," was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Champlin.

Webster, town  
of, — Fire Dis-  
trict No. 1.

The Senate Bill to establish Fire District No. 1 in the town of Webster, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out, in section 14, line 9, the words "town or." On motion of Mr. Nichols, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended and the amendment was forthwith considered and adopted, in concurrence.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first nine of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit:—

Relating to the appointment of trustees of the Hospital Cottages for Children ; Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Relating to the Ballot Law Commission ;

To prevent corrupt practices in elections, and to provide for publicity of election expenses ;

Relating to lotteries and policy lotteries ;

Prohibiting the appointment of persons not residents of the Commonwealth as special police officers ;

Relating to the assessment of damages for the laying out or alteration of highways ;

Relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston ;

To provide a distributing and higher-service reservoir for the city of Cambridge ;

To dissolve the Rapid Transit Commission ;

To prohibit the deduction of wages of employees engaged at weaving ;

For the protection of the water supply of the city of Haverhill ;

Relative to counting ballots when voting is in progress ;

Relating to conditional sales of furniture or other household effects ;

To provide for the improvement of the water works, water supply and water service of the town of Arlington ;

Providing for an additional trial justice in the county of Dukes County ;

Relating to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston ;

Relating to the water supply of the town of Braintree ;

To provide an open space on the east side of the State House extension ;

For the improvement of the lands belonging to the Commonwealth at Provincetown in the county of Barnstable ;

To provide for the payment of transportation of State publications furnished to free public libraries ; and

Authorizing the authorities of Vermont to detain and transport prisoners in and through Massachusetts.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed, and, with the above-named bills, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit :—

Resolves  
passed, etc.

Providing for a new tool house and for rebuilding the Durfee plant house at the Massachusetts Agricultural College; and

Relative to the observance of the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America.

The following House order (the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday) was considered, to wit :—

Rules for intro-  
duction of busi-  
ness into Gen-  
eral Court, etc.,  
— joint special  
committee to sit  
during recess.

*Ordered*, That a joint special committee be appointed to consist of the President and two members on the part of the Senate, and the Speaker and seven members on the part of the House of Representatives, to sit during the recess and examine into the system of introducing business into the General Court, the joint rules and those of each of the two branches, the salaries of members and the expense of the legislative branch of the government; to hear such evidence as may be submitted after public notice of the time and place of the committee's meetings, and to consider what steps should be taken to shorten the sessions and expedite the business of the General Court.

Said committee shall report to the next General Court, not later than the second Wednesday of January, 1893, the result of their investigation, together with such recommendations in relation thereto as may seem proper to be made.

Said committee shall be provided with a room in the State House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who shall also furnish all the necessary stationery and postage; shall be allowed a stenographer, if found necessary by the committee; and the members thereof shall be paid such compensation and allowed such expenditures as shall be determined by the Governor and Council.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the order was amended by striking out, after the words "the President and," the word "two," and inserting in place thereof the word "four," and by striking out, after the words "the Speaker and," the word "seven," and inserting in place thereof the word "nine." The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill requiring votes to be canvassed by two election officers of one political party under the supervision of an election officer of another political party, was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Parkman, the bill was amended, by striking out (from the words inserted by the House), the word "simultaneously," and also the words "and additional election officers shall be appointed so far as necessary for such purpose;" also by inserting, in lines 15 and 31 (as printed), after the word "purpose," in each case, the words "Two inspectors, with two deputy inspectors, additional to those now provided for, may be appointed in the manner provided for the appointment of other election officers, in each voting precinct in cities and in towns divided into voting precincts, and the provisions of law relative to inspectors and deputy inspectors shall be applicable to such additional officers." Votes, canvassing of.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to authorize the town of Brookline to issue certain bonds, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. House bill.

On motion of Mr. Smith, at thirteen minutes past one o'clock P. M. (the Senate having previously suspended the operation of the order relative to adjournment and the hour of meeting), the Senate adjourned, to meet at half-past two o'clock P. M.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Fernald, from the committee on the Judiciary, Tuberculosis.  
that the House Bill relative to the prevention of the spread of tuberculosis, ought to pass;

Read a second and a third time, under a suspension of the rules, moved by the same Senator. Mr. Simpkins,

from the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by adding the following new section: "*Sect. 2.* This act shall take effect upon its passage." The amendment was adopted and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

State tax.

By Mr. Southwick, from the committee on the Treasury, that the House Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of one million seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars, ought to pass;

Read a second and a third time, under a suspension of the rules, moved by the same Senator, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Horace K. Osborne, disbarment of.

By Mr. Butler, from the joint special committee appointed to consider the expediency and justice of disbarring Horace K. Osborne from employment in the capacity of a legislative counsel or agent, recommending the adoption of the following orders (see Senate Document No. 267):—

*Ordered*, That Horace K. Osborne of Cambridge be and hereby is disbarred and prohibited from acting in the capacity of legislative counsel or agent for the period of three years from the date of the adoption of this order, and that a copy of this order be filed in the office of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

*Ordered*, That the Attorney-General be and hereby is requested to prosecute and proceed against Horace K. Osborne of Cambridge for acting in the capacity of legislative counsel or agent in violation of the provisions of chapter 456 of the Acts of the year 1890, it appearing that said Osborne has acted in such capacity when his name was not entered upon the legislative docket as required by the provisions of said chapter.

The report was read. The first order was rejected by a vote of 9 to 9 (a quorum being present). The second order was also rejected.

#### *Motion to Reconsider.*

Collateral legacies and successions, tax on.

Mr. Read of Middlesex moved a suspension of Senate Rule No. 51 in order that a motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate, on May 23, rejected the House

Bill to repeal chapter 425 of the Acts of the year 1891, entitled: "An Act imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions," might be entertained; and the question on the suspension of the rule was determined as follows, to wit:—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
 Dame, Luther  
 Eaton, William N.  
 Gilman, Gorham D.  
 Parkman, Henry  
 Raymond, Francis H.

Messrs. Read, John (Middlesex)  
 Shaw, Edward P.  
 Simpkins, John  
 Southwick, B. Frank  
 West, William H.  
 Wyer, Edwin F. — 12.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
 Champlin, Arthur B.  
 Fernald, B. Marvin  
 Howard, Robert  
 Kimball, Henry A.  
 McDonald, James W.

Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.  
 McNary, William S.  
 Merritt, Christopher C.  
 Provin, William  
 Reade, John (Suffolk)  
 Smith, Sidney P. — 12.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
 Butler, William M.  
 Carter, Richard A.  
 Clark, Wilder P.  
 Coveney, John W.  
 Drury, John E.  
 Hickox, Stephen A.  
 Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. Meade, William E.  
 Mott, Edward  
 Nichols, George K.  
 Nutter, Isaac N.  
 Ray, William F.  
 Stevens, Eben S.  
 Thayer, John R. — 15.

So the Senate refused to suspend the rule, objection thereto being made.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of articles covered in whole or in part with gilt or gilding, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Judiciary. Gilding, deception in use of.

A Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of one million seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on the Treasury. State tax.

A Bill in relation to fraternal beneficiary corporations and other corporations organized for the transaction of insurance upon the assessment plan (substituted by the Fraternal beneficiary corporations.

House for the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on an order), was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Fernald, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**Gardiner Tufts,  
bust of.**

A Resolve relative to the bust of the late Col. Gardiner Tufts (on the petition of the Tufts Memorial Association), was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Parkman, and passed to be in engrossed, in concurrence.

**Gas for lighting  
purposes.**

A Bill to enable certain cities to purchase and distribute gas for lighting purposes (substituted by the House for the Senate Report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate, on an order), was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Baker. Pending the question on ordering the same to a third reading, Mr. Baker moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

#### YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
McNary, William S.  
Mott, Edward

Messrs. Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F.—23.

#### NAYS.

Messrs. Howard, Robert  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Merritt, Christopher C.

Messrs. Provin, William  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R.—7.

#### ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Carberry, William H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
Meade, William E.  
Ray, William F.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)—9.

So the bill was indefinitely postponed.



A Report of the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches with regard to the House Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies, — that they were unable to agree, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Mr. Gilman moved that the Senate ask for a new committee of conference, and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit : —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Eaton, William N.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Howard, Robert  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. McEttrick, Michael J.  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Thayer, John R.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 16.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William

Messrs. Raymond, Francis H.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Stevens, Eben S. — 9.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Butler, William M.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, Edward  
Ray, William F.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P. — 14.

So the motion prevailed, and Messrs Gilman, Shaw and Carberry were appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Subsequently, Mr. McNary moved that the vote by which the Senate asked for a new committee of conference, be reconsidered, and moved a suspension of Senate Rule No. 51 in order that the motion to reconsider might be forthwith entertained. Objection being made, the motion to reconsider was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A Report of the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches with regard to the Senate Bill to authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs

Safe deposit,  
loan and trust  
companies.

Park Street  
Congregational  
Society in  
Boston.

and rights of interment under the meeting-house of said society, and to prohibit further interments therein, — recommending that the House recede from its amendments and concur in the engrossment of the bill with amendments, inserting, in section 1, line 16, after the words “shall be,” the words “not less than;” and striking out, in section 2, lines 8 and 9, the words “the sums fixed by section one,” and inserting in place thereof the words “as provided in section one of this act,” — was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Fernald.

**Boston and  
Providence  
Railroad, —  
grade crossings.**

The Senate Bill relating to the abolition of certain grade crossings of the Boston and Providence Railroad, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, striking out, in section 1, line 12, the word “tracks,” and inserting in place thereof the words “main line;” adding at the end of section 2 the words “such stock to be sold at public auction;” inserting, in section 4, line 4, after the word “amount,” the words “with interest at the rate of three per cent. per annum;” and inserting, in the same section, line 6, after the word “payment,” the words “with interest at the rate of three per cent. per annum.” On motion of Mr. Carberry, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended and the amendments were forthwith considered and adopted, in concurrence.

**Westborough  
and Hopkinton,  
towns of, — im-  
provements in  
Sudbury River.**

The Senate Bill authorizing certain improvements in the Sudbury River in the towns of Westborough and Hopkinton, came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, inserting, in section 6, line 10, after the word “recoveries,” the words “*provided*, that said city has notice of any claim or suit for such damages.” On motion of Mr. Carter, Senate Rule No. 34 was suspended and the amendment was forthwith considered and adopted, in concurrence.

**State House  
extension, —  
open space.**

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a Bill in addition to an act to provide an open space on the east side of the State House extension (introduced on leave in the House), and the same was returned to the House for its action.

**Horace E.  
Miller, widow  
of.**

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a Resolve in favor of the widow of Horace E. Miller (introduced on leave in the House), and the same was returned to the House for its action.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To establish Fire District No. 1 in the town of Webster; Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Conway;

To authorize the town of Stoneham to aid in the construction of a street railway; and

To authorize the town of Brookline to issue certain bonds.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed, and, with the above-named bills, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:—

In favor of Margaret McDonald; and

Providing for printing five hundred additional copies of part second of the report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks. Resolves passed, etc.

An engrossed Bill to promote temperance by the suppression of the liquor saloon and tippling shop (which originated in the House), was put upon its final passage; and the question on passing the bill to be enacted was determined as follows, to wit:— Liquor saloon and tippling shop, suppression of.

**YEAS.**

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F.— 16.

**NAYS.**

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Stevens, Eben S.— 14.

YEA.

PAIRED.

NAY.

Mr. Francis P. Arnold (present), Mr. Patrick J. Kennedy. — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Meade, William E.  
Mott, EdwardMessrs. Ray, William F.  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Thayer, John R. — 7.

So the bill was passed to be enacted, and was signed  
and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Cape Cod Ship  
Canal Company.

The Senate Bill in relation to the Cape Cod Ship Canal  
Company, was read a third time. Mr. Thayer moved that  
the bill be referred to the next General Court; and the  
question on this motion was determined as follows, to  
wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Baker, Charles H.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dane, Luther  
Eaton, William N.  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Howard, RobertMessrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Nichols, George K.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
Thayer, John R. — 16.

NAYS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, EdwardMessrs. Parkman, Henry  
Provin, William  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Reade, John (Suffolk) — 11.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. William H. West,  
Mr. Isaac N. Nutter (present),  
Mr. Eben S. Stevens (present),  
Mr. Stephen A. Hickox,

NAYS.

Mr. John E. Drury (present).  
Mr. Patrick J. Kennedy.  
Mr. William M. Butler.  
Mr. Wilder P. Clark (present). — 8.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Meade, William E.  
Ray, William F.Messrs. Shaw, Edward P.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 4.

So the bill was referred to the next General Court.

On motion of Mr. Parkman, at quarter past five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet at half-past seven o'clock P.M.

### EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

### *Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Smith, from the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the House Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of articles covered in whole or in part with gilt or gilding ;

Gilding, deception in use of.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and the bill, accordingly, was referred to the next General Court.

By Mr. Butler, from the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches with regard to the Senate Bill relating to the equity docket of the Superior Court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex, — recommending that the Senate recede from its non-concurrence, and concur with the House in its amendment ;

Suffolk and Middlesex, counties of, — equity docket.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator.

Sent down for concurrence.

### *Message from the Governor.*

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, returning, with his objections thereto, the engrossed "Bill to establish Fire District No. 1 in the town of Webster." The message was as follows :—

Webster, town of, — Fire District No. 1.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, June 16, 1892.

*To the Honorable Senate.*

I return herewith, with my objections, a bill entitled : " An Act to establish Fire District Number 1 in the town of Webster."

Said bill makes of a portion of the town of Webster a separate district for the purpose of supplying it with water for the extinguishment of fires and for domestic and other purposes.

While the establishment of such districts is not unusual in this Commonwealth, in this instance the town of Webster, by vote of nearly three to one, in a very full town meeting called to consider this question, has voted against the incorporation of this fire district, and by said vote has instructed its selectmen to oppose the passage of this law. The town itself has also petitioned for leave to furnish a water supply to its inhabitants, and that petition has been referred to the next Legislature.

The territory established by this bill as a fire district is at present, through the enterprise of an individual, supplied with water for fire, domestic and other purposes. There is, therefore, no immediate haste, for any purpose of protection, that this bill should be passed. On the other hand it seems to me objectionable to thrust upon the town, against its earnest and overwhelming protest, a measure which concerns so closely the interest and welfare of its inhabitants, and upon which, therefore, their opinion should have great weight. I thoroughly believe that, as far as possible, every local community should be left to govern itself and to determine for itself questions of administration and public policy which affect its interests.

I am informed that there has been a large investment made by an individual in supplying with water the district covered by this bill, and that the bill is earnestly desired by him for the protection of that investment. But I cannot doubt that under any legislation giving authority to the town of Webster to furnish a water supply, proper provision ought to be and would be made for the payment of full damages if this interest were taken, or for its ample protection if not taken.

On the other hand I am informed that the passage of this bill will make it impossible for the town of Webster, outside of this fire district, to establish a water supply.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

The message having been read, the question was stated "Shall the bill pass, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?" and the vote thereon was taken by a call of the yeas and nays, as provided by the Constitution, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Champlin, Arthur B  
Dame, Luther  
Gilman, Gorham D  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K  
Nutter, Isaac N.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 13.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Smith, Sidney P. — 11.

## PAIRED.

## YEAS.

## NAYS.

Mr. B. Frank Southwick (present), Mr. Eben S. Stevens.  
Mr. B. Marvin Fernald (present), Mr. John R. Thayer. — 4.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
McDonald, James W.

Messrs. McNary, William S.  
Meade, William E.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Ray, William F.  
Simpkins, John — 11.

So the bill failed to pass, two-thirds of the Senate not having voted in the affirmative.

*Reconsideration.*

Mr. Smith moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which it, at the afternoon session, rejected the following order, to wit:—

*Ordered*, That Horace K. Osborne of Cambridge be and hereby is disbarred and prohibited from acting in the capacity of legislative counsel or agent for the period of three years from the date of the adoption of this order, and that a copy of this order be filed in the office of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Horace K.  
Osborne.

The question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:—

## YEAS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Nichols, George K.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 16

## NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Dame, Luther  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Provin, William  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Shaw, Edward P. — 13.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. Meade, William E.  
Ray, William F.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 10.

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

The recurring question on the adoption of the order was then determined as follows, to wit: —

## YEAS.

Messrs. Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Fernald, B. Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Nichols, George K.

Messrs. Nutter, Isaac N.  
Parkman, Henry  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F. — 17.

## NAYS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E.  
Eaton, William N.

Messrs. Kennedy, Patrick J.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Mott, Edward  
Provin, William  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Shaw, Edward P. — 12.

## ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Baker, Charles H.  
Dame, Luther  
Hickox, Stephen A.  
Howard, Robert  
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. Meade, William E.  
Ray, William F.  
Reade, John (Suffolk)  
Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R. — 10.

So the order was adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.



*Joint Special Committees Appointed.*

The President announced the appointment of the following Senators to serve, on the part of the Senate, on the joint special committees previously ordered by concurrent vote of the two branches : —

On the Revision of the Judicial System of the Commonwealth : Messrs. Fernald, McDonald and Butler. Judicial system of Commonwealth, revision of.

Subsequently, notice was received from the House that Messrs. Powers of Hyde Park, Ferren of Stoneham, Prescho of Boston, Parker of Boston, Kilduff of Holyoke, O'Brien of Marlborough, Ruggles of Franklin and Barney of New Bedford, had been joined on the part of the House.

On the examination into the system of introducing business into the General Court, the joint rules and those of each of the two branches, the salaries of members and the expense of the legislative branch of the government : the President, and Messrs. Smith, Parkman, Merritt and Southwick. Expediting business of General Court.

Subsequently, notice was received from the House that the Speaker, and Messrs. Durant of Cambridge, Mellen of Worcester, Bliss of Boston, Charles of Boston, Lanigan of Boston, Lyford of Springfield, Hoyt of Haverhill and Dolan of Boston, had been joined on the part of the House.

The President appointed as the special committee on the part of the Senate to represent the Commonwealth at the opening ceremonies of the World's Columbian Exposition, Messrs. Raymond, Champlin, Clark, Coveney, Mott, Eaton, Dame, Thayer and Hickox. World's Columbian Exposition, — legislative committee.

Subsequently, notice was received from the House that Messrs. McCall of Winchester, Lakin of Westfield, Rideout of Cambridge, Rosnosky of Boston, Barrett of Concord, Clough of Worcester, Wilder of Leominster, Burke of Quincy, Luby of Fall River, McAnally of Lawrence, Bates of Brookline, Dennis of Salem, Fay of Northampton, Battles of Brockton, Jewett of North Adams, Brigham of Hudson, Atwood of Plymouth, Cutler of Taunton, Wood of Boston, Daley of Lynn, Fairbanks of Warren and Sundberg of Boston, had been joined on the part of the House.

## PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

State House  
extension, —  
open space.

The Bill in addition to an act to provide an open space on the east side of the State House extension (introduced on leave in the House), was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Southwick, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Appropriations.

A Bill in addition to the several acts making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law, was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Southwick, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Horace E.  
E. Miller,  
widow of.

A Resolve in favor of the widow of Horace E. Miller (introduced on leave in the House), was read three times, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Southwick, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Judges of probate and insolvency, retirement of.

A Report of the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches with regard to the House Bill to provide for the retirement of judges of probate and insolvency in the several counties, — that they were unable to agree, — was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule.

Liquor saloon and tippling shop, suppression of.

The Bill to promote temperance by the suppression of the liquor saloon and tippling shop, came up, the same having been returned by His Excellency the Governor to the House (the branch in which it originated), with his objections thereto, in writing, and having been passed by that branch notwithstanding the said objections.

The message was as follows : —

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, June 16, 1892.

*To the Honorable House of Representatives.*

I return herewith, with my objections, a bill entitled: "An Act to promote temperance by the suppression of the liquor saloon and tippling shop," which originated in your body.

If I believed that this bill would promote the cause of temperance I would gladly give it my approval. But I do not believe it will have or is expected to have that result, but, on the contrary, that it will lead to evasion and to the unequal and imperfect application and enforcement of law, as was recently and fully illustrated in reference to the public bar law.

This bill in substance merely prohibits the keeping or sale of liquor in any room, building or place where the sale of liquor is the exclusive or principal business carried on. It, therefore, requires only that every licensee should provide himself with some other business in addition to the sale of liquors, such, for example, as the sale of food or of newspapers, providing billiards or some other amusement as a business, or the exhibition of pictures or delivery of lectures, etc., to which he may claim to make the sale of liquors subordinate, and then leave it to a jury to determine this fact. It is perfectly clear to me that this is only encouraging a repetition of an experience in this Commonwealth which proved to be so much of a farce and scandal as to lead the Legislature last year to repeal the cause of it. It was found then that the provision in reference to a public bar was enforced in only one or two places, that it had not advanced the cause of temperance, that it was not sustained by public sentiment, and that, by constant evasions and non-enforcement, it was an injury to the cause of law and order, and so the provision was repealed.

Under this bill the seller of liquor can go through the farce of establishing a "principal business," and again we shall have an experience with unequal and imperfect attempts at enforcement of law.

I believe it is an unwise policy to enact legislation which, it is almost certain, will open the way to make a farce of law by non-enforcement, when law ought to be thoroughly enforced with the full support and approbation of the community.

I will gladly give my sanction and aid to every proper measure which will advance the cause of temperance, and to the full extent of my power will have the laws of this Commonwealth thoroughly enforced. Wherever in the past such enforcement has fallen within my official duty, I have sought to make it effective. But I do most earnestly urge on the consideration of the Legislature the mischief of making provisions of law which, in the light of experience, it is believed will lead only to evasions, non-enforcement and a farce.

Under the wise and well-established policy of this Commonwealth each locality has full power to determine for itself the question of the sale of liquor within its limits, and, if it desires, can absolutely prohibit such sale.

The annual discussion and decision of this question in our local communities have preserved fully their local rights, and have also been an educational influence of great importance in advancing the cause of temperance. Even if a community votes for license, the local authorities have now absolute power to determine how many licenses, if any, shall be granted, and to what persons and what places and for what purposes.

Everything sought to be accomplished by this bill can now be accomplished by the local authorities of any community. They can limit the grant of any license, if they wish, to apothecaries,

hotel keepers or grocers, or any other class within their discretion. They cannot now grant a license for sale of liquor to be drunk on the premises except to a common victualler, that is, to one who conducts also the business of furnishing food. If this provision, now existing in law, can be and is enforced, it covers the case sought to be reached by this bill; if it is not enforced, and cannot be, it is not more law but more enforcement of law which is needed.

In view of the full powers now given to local communities to establish prohibition or to restrict the persons or places to be licensed, or the purpose for which a license shall be used, and of the many restrictions and limitations now existing, I do not believe this proposed law is wise or necessary.

If this measure is directed especially to the city of Boston, it should be remembered that for every liquor saloon or tipping shop which now exists there, the responsibility rests directly upon the Board of Police, created by the State, and that there is now and has been in their hands full power to prohibit the existence of any and every such saloon or shop.

The conditions and sentiment of different communities vary greatly upon the question of the sale of liquor. It seems to me wiser to allow for such differences of condition, opinion and sentiment, by giving discretion upon this question to each community and its properly constituted authorities, than to disregard such differences by general provisions of law. So the law enacted by each community will have behind it the power and public sentiment of that community, and will be, as it ought to be and must be, thoroughly enforced. It is such a policy which has received the repeated approval and endorsement of the people of this Commonwealth. It is in thorough accord with our belief in local self-government, and, in my judgment, it is constantly advancing the cause of temperance.

This bill does not in any way or form prohibit the sale of liquor or limit the number of places where it may be sold, or tend to promote prohibition. Such sale may be just as open as at present and as easily accessible to any person desiring to purchase liquor, nor will he be required to order food therewith or to patronize any other business of the seller.

This Legislature has shown that it does not believe in prohibition by its refusal to establish it or to limit further the number of licenses, or to enact any other measures in that direction.

The provision of this bill is solely that some other principal business must be carried on at the place of sale. This is certain to be difficult of construction and enforcement, and may well add to the admitted evils and temptations of the saloon. It certainly is of doubtful public policy to force the association of other business with the sale of liquor.

It is not at all likely that this business, which is notoriously profitable, will by this law be limited in extent or change hands,

but only that it will disguise its conduct to meet the formal requirements of the law. Instead of suppressing the saloon, in my judgment, it will add to its evils, and, instead of promoting temperance, it will lead to evasions and conditions which will tend to injure this most worthy cause.

As this bill comes to me with fifty or sixty others in the closing hours of your session, I am compelled to express in a hasty and imperfect way the reasons which lead me to believe that the measure is unwise, and that it is more conservative and wise to withhold my approval of it than to allow it to become a law, especially as it is not to take effect until May 1, 1893, and there is, therefore, ample opportunity for another Legislature to give it consideration.

WM. E. RUSSELL.

The question being stated "Shall the bill pass, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?" the same was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as provided by the Constitution, as follows, to wit:—

#### YEAS.

Messrs. Arnold, Francis P.  
Butler, William M.  
Champlin, Arthur B.  
Clark, Wilder P.  
Dame, Luther  
Fernald, B Marvin  
Gilman, Gorham D.  
Mott, Edward  
Nichols, George K.  
Nutter, Isaac N.

Messrs. Parkman, Henry  
Raymond, Francis H.  
Read, John (Middlesex)  
Shaw, Edward P.  
Simpkins, John  
Smith, Sidney P.  
Southwick, B. Frank  
West, William H.  
Wyer, Edwin F.—19.

#### NAYS.

Messrs. Carberry, William H.  
Carter, Richard A.  
Coveney, John W.  
Drury, John E  
Eaton, William N.  
Howard, Robert  
Kennedy, Patrick J.

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.  
McDonald, James W.  
McEttrick, Michael J.  
McNary, William S.  
Merritt, Christopher C.  
Provin, William  
Reade, John (Suffolk)—14.

#### PAIRED.

##### YEA.

Mr. William F. Ray,

##### NAY.

Mr. Charles H. Baker (present).—2.

#### ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Hickox, Stephen A.  
Meade, William E.

Messrs. Stevens, Eben S.  
Thayer, John R.—4.

So the bill failed to pass, two-thirds of the members present not having approved the same.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.*

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit : —

**Bills enacted  
and laid before  
the Governor.**

Relating to the returns of fines, forfeitures, costs, fees and moneys by county treasurers ;

Relating to the abolition of certain grade crossings of the Boston and Providence Railroad ;

Authorizing certain improvements in the Sudbury River in the towns of Westborough and Hopkinton ;

To provide for the building of an asylum for the chronic insane ;

To authorize the Park Street Congregational Society in Boston to acquire all tombs and rights of interment under the meeting-house of said society, and to prohibit further interments therein ;

In relation to fraternal beneficiary corporations and other corporations organized for the transaction of insurance upon the assessment plan ;

Relative to the prevention of the spread of tuberculosis ;

To apportion and assess a State tax of one million seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars ;

Requiring votes to be canvassed by two election officers of one political party under the supervision of an election officer of another political party ;

Relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans ;

In addition to an act to provide an open space on the east side of the State House extension ;

In addition to the several acts making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for other expenses authorized by law ; and

Relating to the equity docket of the Superior Court in the counties of Suffolk and Middlesex.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed, and, with the above-named bills, were signed and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit : —

**Resolves  
passed, etc.**

In favor of the town of Natick ;

Relative to the bust of the late Colonel Gardiner Tufts ; and

In favor of the widow of Horace E. Miller.

*Orders of the Day.*

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate, at the afternoon session, asked for a new committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches regarding the House Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies, was withdrawn by Mr. McNary, there being no objection thereto, and the bill was sent down for concurrence in the appointment of a new committee of conference.

Safe deposit,  
loan and trust  
companies.

Subsequently, the bill was returned with the endorsement that the House non-concurred in the appointment of said new committee.

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Mr. Simpkins being in the chair, the following resolution was offered by Mr. Howard, and was read :—

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Senate be and hereby are tendered to the Honorable Alfred S. Pinkerton for the courteous, able and gentlemanly manner in which he has presided over its sittings and guided its deliberations. From the commencement of the session he has endeavored to treat all members alike, irrespective of party, and in his decisions upon all questions he has shown rare parliamentary knowledge, combined with lofty intelligence and sound judgment. His fairness in the discharge of his duties ought to endear him to the Senate of 1892.

Honorable  
Alfred S.  
Pinkerton,  
President of the  
Senate.

After remarks by Messrs. Howard, Fernald, Smith and Coveney, the resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The President resumed the chair and addressed the Senate as follows :—

*Fellow Senators :*

In a few hours the Senate of 1892 will have passed into history. For good or evil, it enters into the annals of a Commonwealth. And now, in this closing hour, as we speak the words of salutation and farewell, I trust you will pardon me if my clumsy tongue proves inadequate to fittingly express my appreciation of the uniform kindness and courtesy you have visited upon me,—a kindness not limited to to-day, but which has found expression in every hour and moment of our communing

together. Permit me to assume that the resolution you have ordered spread upon your journal and the graceful words that have accompanied it constitute more than an idle ceremonial; that something of that spirit of inter-dependence and confidence that should ever exist between those jointly charged with the performance of public duties, and especially between the members of a legislative body and he who is selected to preside over its deliberations, not as its master but as its servant, has in them found its adequate expression.

It needed not, my fellow Senators, any gift from you to enable me to remember with gratitude my associates of this body; but as I gaze upon the pictured faces of my fellow-members as they hang upon the walls of my home, I shall recall the manly, kindly qualities that characterize each of them. Anew to my memory will come the faces and forms of those with whom I have passed so many hours of happy intercourse. The flowers that on this desk rest, typical of the beauty of an ever-returning season, bring with them the fragrance of pleasant memories and fond associations. These and the other gifts with which you have honored me, valued not so much for intrinsic worth as for the expression of confidence and good-will that crowns them, will be cherished by me and mine as long as life shall last or memory endure.

It is an honor to be a member of a Massachusetts Senate, to come from the great body of a constituency such as yours, to legislate for the welfare of one of the most ancient, one of the grandest, one of the strongest of free governments, to have a voice in shaping its destinies, to do something in directing its onward career. I appreciate beyond expression the privilege you have conferred in choosing me to preside over its deliberations. The record of this Senate is unstained; and happily for our State, coming to this chamber representing different political faiths, believers in different methods of civic administration, you have in the discussion of those questions that vitally affect the public welfare cast aside the petty jealousies and escaped from the environments that naturally surround party affiliations, and have sought fairly and impartially to promote the public good. Although debate has, at times, been extended and matters of controversy closely contested, no Senator has, throughout the session, uttered within these walls one word that should cause pain to another, and however sharp the contest here, when discussion closed and the portals of this chamber were passed, all was forgotten in a friendship born of self-respect and mutual confidence.

In such a record, Senators, we can have an honest pride. And if in this assembly anything has been done to facilitate the public business, to promote the public welfare, with you and not with me must rest the credit of the undertaking and result. I have sought to expedite the business of the session without infringing upon the privilege of debate or lessening the



time that should always be allowed for the proper consideration of public questions ; and in every such endeavor have found loyal support in my fellow Senators, who, appreciating the purpose of the endeavor, have ever sought its accomplishment, while sharing with me the opinion that whatever may be the hopes or desires of the Chair, with the members on the floor must, in a greater degree, rest the responsibility for the legislation enacted and the extent of legislative investigation with its attending results. Whatever may be said of us, whatever comparisons may be made between Senates that have passed and Senates that are to come, if no great act of legislation distinguishes this assembly, if it marks no new epoch in the history of the State, certainly equal pace has been kept with the material development of our Commonwealth. The rights of capital have been protected, the advancement of the wage earner promoted, the purity and sanctity of the elective franchise and the methods of political selection guarded and defended by the actions of the Senate of '92, and the general legislation enacted by it is entitled to receive the commendation of every lover of fair government.

Allow me, for a moment, Senators, to allude to the length of the session, for the reason that I believe some comparisons have been made that are unjust to the present Legislature by those who know not the internal workings of that body. Permit me to say, after some years' experience in this assembly, that the Legislature of Massachusetts, almost unique in its method of administration, cannot successfully close its sessions much sooner than it has in past years until a radical reformation takes place in the methods of transacting business within these walls. Apart from the fact that the public itself, the suitors for legislation, are largely responsible for any seeming delay by reason of the tardiness with which petitions for legislation are presented, — comparatively few of the many orders and petitions upon which we must pass being introduced during the first days of the session, — legislatures of other Commonwealths, with which these comparisons are made, do not, as a rule, act upon every proposition submitted to them. Senates, Houses and committees have the right to lay aside matters pertaining to the public peace and welfare at their pleasure, and committees composed of but few individuals are permitted to decide whether matters should be acted upon or even considered by the legislature itself ; but here in our Commonwealth, from time immemorial, the custom has grown up that every citizen, highest or humblest, can come to this General Court, his great court, and lay at its feet his petitions, and in its council chambers have respectful hearing and final judgment. It is a question, Senators, worthy of careful consideration, whether a policy that gives to every man who even fancies himself wronged an opportunity for redress is not preferable in the lapse of years, in the sound administration of a free government, to a method

of administration that places in the hands of a few managers of any legislative body the right to strangle legislation at its birth, and to say whether or not the people or their representatives should pass upon the merits of suggested laws or hearken to the prayer of a citizen who shares with you the burdens of the State. By such a method shorter sessions might result, but it is doubtful if the public interest would be advanced in an equal degree as under a system that allows to every citizen the right of petition and of trial.

I should be unfaithful to my own desires did I not pay a passing tribute to the faithful clerk of this body, who, throughout this session, has stood at my right hand, an efficient and capable ally. The gallant soldier who in peace as in war has served his State and country well, the grave and reverend chaplain who has daily invoked the blessing of that divinity without whose approbation all the works of man are naught, are alike entitled to our grateful consideration. Happily for us our own circle remains unbroken; but from this chamber we miss the frank and open face, the pleasant greeting and the cordial hand-grasp of one who for many years was a faithful servant of this Commonwealth. However deeply we may mourn his untimely end we rejoice that his memory is stainless, and that only pleasant recollections survive of one who long was with us, if not of us.

And now, as we leave this chamber, this parting is saddened by the thought that probably never again will all of us meet together in one body. But, as we leave these halls to re-enter the separating walks of life, to take up again the broken threads of old associations and to follow the various paths of diverging fortunes, each of us can carry with him the consciousness that every member of this Senate accompanies him in spirit, interested in his welfare, and anxious for the promotion of all that tends to make him happier; that, whatever may befall us in the days to come, the Senate of '92 sends its greeting to every member with a full assurance that he can never call upon his old associates in vain, or that they will ever become indifferent to his fate.

And now, Senators, as we part, let me again express to you my appreciation of the unfailing courtesy that has ever marked your intercourse with me, of the kindness that has made my duties easy, of the pleasant words you have spoken; and carry, I pray you, to your several homes my best wishes for your future welfare, my best hopes that every gift that fortune can give may be showered upon you, and that that reward which the Commonwealth owes to its faithful servants may come unsolicited to every member of the Senate of 1892.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Butler, and was read:—

*Resolved*, That the members of the Senate, in appreciation of the efficient and faithful service of the Clerk of the

Clerk.

Senate, Henry D. Coolidge, hereby tender to him their sincere thanks for the unvarying courtesy and valuable assistance, always readily and cheerfully given, with which he has favored them throughout the session.

After remarks by Messrs. Butler, McNary and Parkman, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Champlin, and was read :—

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Senate be and are hereby extended to that gallant soldier and efficient officer Capt. J. G. B. Adams, who has rendered prompt and satisfactory service to the Senate, as <sup>Sergeant-at-Arms.</sup> Sergeant-at-Arms, during the present session.

After remarks by Messrs. Champlin and Reade of Suffolk, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Gilman, and was read :—

*Resolved*, That the members of the Senate place on record their appreciation of the services of Reverend Edmund Dowse as <sup>Chaplain.</sup> Chaplain of the Senate. In the continuous officiating in his sacred calling in this chamber for thirteen years he has won the confidence and regard of the members of the Senate by his large charity and true sympathy with all good words and works. The thanks of this Senate are hereby tendered him for the faithful performance of his religious duties. The clerk of the Senate is directed to forward a duly attested copy of this resolution to the Chaplain.

After remarks by Messrs. Gilman and Read of Middlesex, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

#### *Orders Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Southwick, —

*Ordered*, That the clerk be instructed to make up the <sup>Pay-roll.</sup> pay-roll of the present session, including therein compensation for attendance and travel, as provided for in chapter 59 of the Acts of the year 1892, and for mileage, as provided for in section 15 of the Public Statutes.

The clerk reported the pay-roll, and it was, thereupon, on motion of Mr. Clark, —

*Ordered*, That there be allowed and paid from the <sup>Id.</sup> treasury of the Commonwealth to the several Senators

whose names are borne upon the accompanying roll, the sums set against their respective names, amounting in the aggregate to thirty-three thousand nine hundred and fifty-one dollars, for compensation for attendance and travel and for mileage at the present session of the General Court.

*Prorogation.*

On motion of Mr. Simpkins, —

Prorogation.

*Ordered*, That a committee to consist of three on the part of the Senate, and such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the two branches of the Legislature have disposed of all the public business which has been brought before them, and to request him, with the advice and consent of the Council, to prorogue them to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next; and Messrs. Simpkins, Kennedy and Arnold, were appointed said committee on the part of the Senate;

Sent down to be joined.

Came up; and Messrs. Tucker of New Bedford, Bennett of Everett, Keliher of Boston, Mooney of Boston, St. John of Haverhill, Holman of Chelsea, Ball of Upton and Soule of Middleborough, were joined.

Subsequently, Mr. Simpkins, from the above-named committee, reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them, and that His Excellency the Governor was pleased to say that he congratulated the two branches that their labors were completed and that he would communicate with them forthwith by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

At fourteen minutes before one o'clock A.M. on June 17, the Secretary of the Commonwealth entered the Senate chamber, and announced that His Excellency the Governor had signed 429 bills and 106 resolves, had withheld his signature from 11 bills, which, not having been returned by His Excellency within five days after they were laid before him, had the force of law, without his approval, as prescribed by the Constitution, and that he had returned, with his objections thereto, the bills "To establish the salary of the justice of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex;" "To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Williamstown;" "To authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to increase its capital

stock ;" "To permit the sale of trout artificially raised in this Commonwealth between the fifteenth day of January and the first day of April in each year ;" "To authorize the city of Woburn to appoint a superintendent of public buildings ;" "To establish Fire District No. 1 in the town of Webster ;" and "To promote temperance by the suppression of the liquor saloon and tippling shop." He further announced that he was directed by His Excellency to inform the Senate that, in compliance with the request of the two branches, and with the consent of the Council, it was his pleasure to prorogue the General Court to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday in January next.

And the General Court was prorogued accordingly.

Attest :

HENRY D. COOLIDGE,  
*Clerk of the Senate.*



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## APPENDIX.

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[No. 1.]

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**ANNUAL REGISTER**

**OF THE**

**EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENTS**

**OF THE**

**GOVERNMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS.**

**1892.**

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## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	First Year in Present Office.
William E. Russell, <i>Governor</i> , . . .	Cambridge, .	Jan. 6, 1857,	Cambridge, .	Lawyer, . . .	1891
William H. Haile, <i>Lieutenant-Governor</i> , .	Springfield, .	Sept. 23, 1833,	Chesterfld,N.H.,	Manufacturer, . .	1890
Isaac N. Keith, <i>Councillor</i> , District No. 1, .	Bourne, . .	Nov. 14, 1838,	Sandwich, .	Manufacturer, . .	1889
Edwin V. Mitchell, " " 2, .	Medfield, .	Oct. 2, 1850,	Sangerville,Me.,	Manufacturer, . .	1892
Ephraim Stearns, " " 3, .	Waltham, .	March 8, 1839,	Waltham, .	Merchant, . . .	1891
James Donovan, " " 4, .	Boston, . .	May 28, 1859,	Boston, . . .	Real Estate, . . .	1892
Moses How, " " 5, .	Methuen, . .	June 19, 1819,	Haverhill, .	Retired Manufacturer,	1891
Alonzo H. Evans, " " 6, .	Everett, . .	Feb. 24, 1820,	Allenstown, N. H.,	Presd. of Savings Bk.,	1892
George F. Morse, " " 7, .	Leominster, .	Oct. 16, 1835,	Leominster, .	Manufacturer, . .	1892
Ellaha Morgan, " " 8, .	Springfield, .	Sept. 7, 1833,	Northfield, .	Manufacturer, . .	1892

Samuel Roads, Jr., <i>Private Secretary to the Governor</i> , . . . . .	Marblehead, .	Oct. 22, 1853,	Marblehead, .	Journalist, .	. . . . .	1891
Edward F. Hamlin, <i>Executive Clerk</i> , . . . . .	Newton, . .	June 6, 1846,	Plainfield, .	Insurance, .	. . . . .	1881
<i>Heads of Departments.</i>						
William M. Olin, <i>Secretary</i> , . . . . .	Boston, . .	Sept. 18, 1845,	Warrenton, Ga.,	Journalist, .	. . . . .	1891
George A. Marden, <i>Treasurer</i> , . . . . .	Lowell, . .	Aug. 9, 1839,	Mt. Vernon, N. H.,	Journalist, .	. . . . .	1889
John W. Kimball, <i>Auditor</i> , . . . . .	Fitchburg, .	Sept. 27, 1828,	Fitchburg, .	Real Estate, .	. . . . .	1892
Albert E. Pillsbury, <i>Attorney-General</i> , . . . . .	Boston, . .	Aug. 19, 1849,	Milford, N. H.,	Lawyer, . .	. . . . .	1891
Samuel Dalton, <i>Adjutant-General</i> , . . . . .	Salem, . .	June 25, 1840,	Salem, . .	Merchant, .	. . . . .	1883

## LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

## SENATE.

ALFRED S. PINKERTON, PRESIDENT.

DISTRICT.	NAME.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	YEARS IN LEGISLATURE.	
						House.	Senate.
First Suffolk, .	Arthur B. Champlin, .	Chelsea, .	Feb. 7, 1858, .	Chelsea, .	Publisher, .	1887, '88	1891, '92
Second " .	John Reade, .	Boston, .	Dec. 1, 1826, .	City of Kilkenny, .	Auctioneer .	1879, '80, '81	1891, '92
Third " .	John W. Coveaney, .	Cambridge, .	April 10, 1845, .	Ireland. .	Real Estate.	1888, '89, '90	1891, '92
Fourth " .	Patrick J. Kennedy, .	Boston, .	Jan. 8, 1858, .	Cambridge, .	Undertaker, .	1886, '87, '88, .	1892
Fifth " .	Henry Parkman, .	Boston, .	May 23, 1850, .	East Boston, .	Trader, .	'89, '90	1892
Sixth " .	William S. McNary, .	Boston, .	Mar. 29, 1863, .	Boston, .	Lawyer, .	1886, '87, '88	1892
Seventh " .	Michael J. McEitrick, .	Boston, .	June 22, 1846, .	North Abington, .	Journalist, .	1885, '86, '87, .	1892
Eighth " .	William H. Carberry, .	Boston, .	Feb. 22, 1851, .	Roxbury, .	Journalist, .	'88, '89, '90, '91	1892
Ninth " .	William H. West, .	Boston, .	Jan. 27, 1830, .	Roxbury, .	Manufacturer, .	1878, '79, '80	1890, '92
First Essex, .	Charles H. Baker, .	Lynn, .	Feb. 2, 1847, .	Milton, .	Merchant, .	None	1891, '92
Second " .	William E. Meade, .	Salem, .	Aug. 2, 1839, .	Solon, Me., .	Manufacturer, .	1888, '90, '91	1892
Third " .	Luther Dame, .	Newbury, .	Mar. 3, 1826, .	Salem, .	Locomotive En- gineer.	1890, '91	1892
Fourth " .	Edward P. Shaw, .	Newburyport, .	Sept. 1, 1841, .	Kittery, Me., .	Real Estate, .	1883, '89, '90	1892
				Newburyport, .	Contractor, .	1881, '82, '83, '89	1892



## OFFICERS OF THE SENATE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	First Year in Office.
Henry D. Coolidge, <i>Clerk</i> , . . . . .	Concord, . . . . .	Aug. 26, 1858,	Chelsea, . . . . .	1889
William H. Sanger, <i>Assistant Clerk</i> , . . . . .	Boston, . . . . .	Mar. 12, 1862,	Louisville, Ky., . . . . .	1889
John G. B. Adams, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i> , . . . . .	Lynn, . . . . .	Oct. 6, 1841,	Groveland, . . . . .	1886
Rev. Edmund Dowse, <i>Chaplain</i> , . . . . .	Sherborn, . . . . .	Jan. 30, 1813,	Sherborn, . . . . .	1880*

\* Member of the Senate, 1869, 1870.

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WILLIAM E. BARRETT, MELROSE, SPEAKER.

Districts.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
<b>BARNSTABLE COUNTY.</b>						
No. 1, . . .	Charles H. Nye, .	Barnstable, .	Dec. 9, 1821,	Falmouth, .	Railroad Agent, .	. . . 1846, '57, 1862
2, . . .	Elkanah Crowell, .	Yarmouth, .	Feb. 2, 1829,	West Yarmouth,	Master Mariner, .	. . . 1862
3, . . .	Osborn Nickerson, .	Chatham, .	May 26, 1846,	Chatham, .	Postmaster, .	. . . 1862
	Robert B. Jenkins, .	Wellfleet, .	Sept. 16, 1837,	Wellfleet, .	Inspector of Fish, .	. . . 1861, '92
<b>BERKSHIRE COUNTY.</b>						
No. 1, . . .	Gilbert L. Jewett, .	North Adams, .	Dec. 22, 1839,	Deerfield, .	Shoe Cutter, .	. . . 1862
2, . . .	William W. Gallup, .	Clarksburg, .	Jan. 29, 1824,	Dalton, .	Farmer, .	. . . 1862
3, . . .	Franklin C. Bourne, .	Savoy, .	Nov. 3, 1827,	Savoy, .	Farmer, .	. . . 1862
4, . . .	Edgar E. Jordan, .	Windsor, .	Oct. 4, 1844,	Cumington, .	Farmer, .	. . . 1862
	Franklin F. Read, .	Pittsfield, .	June 14, 1827,	Windsor, .	Real Estate, .	. . . 1861, '93
	Roland E. Burbank, .	Pittsfield, .	June 1, 1852,	Pittsfield, .	Real Estate, .	. . . 1862
5, . . .	Anson Buck, .	Stockbridge, .	May 8, 1839,	Stockbridge, .	Farmer, .	. . . 1862
6, . . .	John N. Ealand, .	Gt Barrington, .	Mar. 13, 1855,	South Egremont, .	Carriage Manufactur'r, .	. . . 1862
7, . . .	Charles H. Hale, .	Tyringham, .	Jan. 11, 1851,	Tyringham, .	Farmer, .	. . . 1862

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Districts.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
<b>BRISTOL COUNTY.</b>						
No. 1.	{ Everett S. Horton,	Attleborough,	June 15, 1836,	Attleborough,	Manufacturer,	1891, '92
2.	{ Andrew H. Sweet,	Norton, .	Oct. 2, 1845,	Norton,	Box Manufacturer,	1873, '92
3.	{ Stephen R. Lincoln,	Raynham,	Feb. 1, 1845,	Taunton,	Blacksmith, .	1892
4.	{ George A. Crane, .	Taunton,	June 4, 1837,	Taunton,	Farmer,	1892
5.	{ George P. Cutler, .	Taunton,	Dec. 7, 1828,	Lowell,	Florist,	1892
6.	{ J. Lewis Austin, .	Taunton,	Mar. 19, 1851,	Taunton,	Broker,	1891, '92
7.	{ Silas P. Richmond,	Freetown,	June 19, 1831,	Freetown,	Magistrate, .	1892
8.	{ Benjamin B. Barney,	New Bedford,	Jan. 25, 1868,	New Bedford,	Lawyer,	1892
9.	{ Samuel Ross,	New Bedford,	Feb. 2, 1865,	Cheshire, Eng.,	Mule Spinner,	1892
10.	{ George F. Tucker,	New Bedford,	Jan. 19, 1852,	New Bedford,	Lawyer,	1890, '91, '92
	{ Frank W. Francis,	New Bedford,	Sept. 16, 1857,	New Bedford,	Cigar Manufacturer,	1892
	{ James E. Allen, .	Dartmouth,	Feb. 19, 1841,	Dartmouth,	Farmer,	1892
	{ Patrick B. Luby, .	Fall River,	Sept. -, 1859,	Ireland,	Barber,	1891, '92
	{ Edward J. Heffernan,	Fall River,	Nov. 4, 1858,	New Bedford,	Weaver,	1891, '92
	{ Francis Connolly,	Fall River,	Mar. 4, 1849,	Ireland,	Cotton Piece Folder,	1892
	{ Patrick Delaney, .	Fall River,	Apr. 26, 1852,	Lancashire, Eng.,	Painter,	1892
	{ Michael F. Sullivan,	Fall River,	Sept. 21, 1859,	Wareham,	Grocer, .	1892
	{ William Luther, .	Somerset,	Apr. 2, 1833,	Somerset,	Farmer,	1892
<b>DUKES COUNTY.</b>						
No. 1.	{ Ulysses E. Mayhew,	Tisbury,	Aug. 16, 1848,	Tisbury,	Merchant, .	1891, '92
<b>ESSEX COUNTY.</b>						
No. 1.	{ Samuel J. Brown,	Amesbury,	Oct. 2, 1835,	Salisbury,	Boot and Shoe Dealer,	1892
	{ Richard Newell, .	W. Newbury,	Apr. 17, 1839,	West Newbury,	Farmer, .	1891, '92



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2,	Warren Hoyt,	Haverhill,	Jan. 4, 1843,	N. Danville, N. H.,	Editor,	1892
3,	Thomas E. St. John,	Haverhill,	Mar. 2, 1831,	Canterbury, N. Y.,	Mfg. Loan and Investment Co.,	1886, '92
4,	James O. Parker,	Methuen,	Nov. 22, 1827,	Pembroke, N. H.,	Fire Insurance,	1874, '91, '92
5,	Ira O. Sawyer,	Haverhill,	Jan. 16, 1838,	Haverhill,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1892
6,	Dennis E. Halley,	Lawrence,	May 6, 1862,	Natick,	Reporter,	1892
7,	William Cannon,	Lawrence,	Nov. 15, 1829,	Ireland,	Cotton and Wool Mfr.,	1891, '92
8,	William H. Hart,	Lawrence,	Mar. 28, 1864,	Charlestown,	Baggage Master,	1892
9,	Frank McAnally,	Lawrence,	Nov. 29, 1855,	Lawrence,	Operative,	1891, '92
10,	James B. Smith,	Andover,	Oct. 1, 1828,	Andover,	Manufacturer,	1892
11,	Edwin H. George,	Groveland,	May 2, 1858,	Groveland,	Contractor,	1892
12,	Arthur C. Richardson,	Newburyport,	Oct. 31, 1837,	Reading,	Railroad Agent,	1890, '91, '92
13,	Eben S. Dole,	Newburyport,	Aug. 8, 1847,	Newburyport,	Overseer Hat Factory,	1892
14,	George Fall,	Ipswich,	Oct. 30, 1850,	Ipswich,	Lumber and Coal,	1892
15,	Sylvanus Smith,	Gloucester,	Mar. 10, 1829,	Rockport,	Fishing Vessels,	1892
16,	Howard G. Lane,	Gloucester,	Dec. 16, 1850,	Rockport,	Jeweller,	1891, '92
17,	Miles S. Andrews,	Essex,	Jan. 17, 1855,	South Essex,	Milk Dealer,	1892
18,	George H. Friend,	Gloucester,	Dec. 3, 1846,	Gloucester,	Janitor,	1892
19,	George A. Galloupe,	Beverly,	Oct. 28, 1850,	Beverly,	Contractor,	1892
20,	Samuel A. Potter,	Salem,	Sept. 2, 1850,	Salem,	Insurance,	1892
21,	Joseph L. Lougee,	Salem,	Dec. 3, 1836,	Salem,	Furniture,	1892
22,	William D. Dennis,	Salem,	Oct. 11, 1847,	E. Parsonsfd, Me.,	Architect,	1892
23,	Henry C. Sparnawick,	Marblehead,	Feb. 19, 1865,	Marblehead,	Accountant,	1891, '92
24,	Eugene A. Bessom,	Lynn,	June 11, 1855,	Lynn,	Pharmacist,	1892
25,	Charles T. Jackson,	Swampscott,	Aug. 13, 1837,	Lynn,	Shoe Cutter,	1892
26,	Lewis H. Bartlett,	Lynn,	-	Wareham,	Machine Button Holes,	1892
27,	Edward L. Daley,	Lynn,	Oct. 6, 1855,	Danvers,	Shoemaker,	1892
28,	John M. Danforth,	Lynnfield,	Jan. 1, 1840,	Lynnfield,	Farmer,	1891, '92
29,	Charles M. Bacheller,	Lynn,	June 29, 1863,	Lynn,	Soles and Leather,	1891, '92

DISTRICTS.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
<b>ESSEX CO. — Con.</b>						
No. 20, . . . {	Lemuel M. Brook, .	Lynn, .	Nov. 6, 1837, .	Stratford, N. H., .	Patent Medicines, .	1891, '92
21, . . . {	William W. Lowe, .	Saugus, .	Feb. 7, 1834, .	Buckfield, Me., .	Investment Broker, .	1892
22, . . . {	Francis H. Appleton, .	Peabody, .	June 17, 1847, .	Boston, .	State Board Agriculture, .	1891, '92
	Samuel L. Sawyer, .	Danvers, .	June 20, 1845, .	Boxford, .	Salesman, .	1891, '92
<b>FRANKLIN COUNTY.</b>						
No. 1, . . . {	George W. Jenks, .	Shelburne, .	Jan. 14, 1840, .	Shelburne Falls, .	Boot and Shoe Merch't, .	1892
2, . . . {	William H. Hemenway, .	Shutesbury, .	Dec. 28, 1846, .	Shutesbury, .	Farmer, .	1892
3, . . . {	Henry D. Bardwell, .	Montague, .	Oct. 24, 1856, .	Hatfield, .	Periodic's and Station'y, .	1892
4, . . . {	Horace E. Miller, .	Conway, .	May 23, 1849, .	Savoy, .	Printer, .	1892
5, . . . {	Ransom W. Gillett, .	Heath, .	Nov. 27, 1847, .	Whitingham, Vt., .	Farmer, .	1892
<b>HAMPDEN COUNTY.</b>						
No. 1, . . . {	Erastus D. Larkin, .	Tolland, .	1835, .	Sandlake, N. Y., .	Farmer, .	1892
2, . . . {	James A. Lakin, .	Westfield, .	1841, .	Boston, .	Insurance, .	1891, '92
3, . . . {	Henry W. Ashley, .	Westfield, .	Feb. 16, 1855, .	Westfield, .	Lawyer, .	1892
4, . . . {	Richard G. Kilduff, .	Holyoke, .	July 1, 1854, .	Lancashire, Eng., .	Lawyer, .	1892
5, . . . {	William P. Buckley, .	Chicopee, .	Aug. 7, 1859, .	Cork, Ireland, .	Clerk, .	1890, '91, '92
6, . . . {	Eugene J. O'Neil, .	Chicopee, .	Feb. 29, 1856, .	Chicopee, .	Manufact'r of Fabric, .	1891, '92
7, . . . {	Frederick H. Gillett, .	Springfield, .	Oct. 16, 1851, .	Westfield, .	Lawyer, .	1891, '92
8, . . . {	John W. Adams, .	Springfield, .	June 20, 1828, .	Stratham, N. H., .	Nurseryman, .	1892
9, . . . {	Edwin F. Lyford, .	Springfield, .	Sept. 8, 1857, .	Waterville, Me., .	Lawyer, .	1892
10, . . . {	John A. Driscoll, .	Springfield, .	June 13, 1860, .	Springfield, .	Upholsterer, .	1892
	Edward S. Brewer, .	Springfield, .	June 18, 1846, .	Springfield, .	-	1892
	Sumner Smith, .	Hampden, .	Aug. 21, 1825, .	Willington, Ct., .	Merchant, .	1892
	Hiram E. W. Clark, .	Palmer, .	Apr. 16, 1836, .	New Salem, .	Provision Dealer, .	1891, '92

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\* Died Thursday, June 9.

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MIDDLESEX Co.— <i>Con.</i>						
No. 16, . . .	J. Henry Fletcher,	Belmont,	Sept. 26, 1844,	Charlestown,	Provision Dealer,	1890, '92
17, . . .	Dwight Chester, . .	Newton,	Mar. 2, 1835,	Maryland, N. Y.,	Life Insurance,	1891, '92
. . .	S Edward Howard,	Newton,	May 15, 1840,	Jamaica, Vt.,	Cattle Ranching,	1891, '92
18, . . .	Mahlon R. Leonard,	Waltham,	Jan. 8, 1836,	Pierpont, N. Y.,	Grocer,	1892
. . .	Henry J. Jennison,	Weston,	June 8, 1842,	Templeton,	School Furniture,	1892
19, . . .	Richard F. Barrett,	Concord,	Aug. 4, 1848,	Concord,	Fire Insurance,	1891, '92
20, . . .	Chas. H. Kohlrausch, Jr.,	BillERICA,	Aug. 6, 1848,	Lowell,	Chemist,	1892
21, . . .	Patrick J. Savage,	Lowell,	Feb. 26, 1868,	Boston,	Grocer,	1891, '92
22, . . .	Fred N. Wier,	Lowell,	July 4, 1861,	Lowell,	Lawyer,	1891, '92
23, . . .	John W. McEvoy,	Lowell,	July 8, 1865,	Lowell,	Lawyer,	1892
. . .	Robert G. Bartlett,	Lowell,	April 8, 1834,	Hopkinton, N. H.,	Real Estate,	1891, '92
24, . . .	Clarence G. Coburn,	Lowell,	Jan. 15, 1850,	Dracut,	Grocer,	1891, '92
. . .	Amasa Pratt,	Lowell,	July 28, 1842,	Waterville, Me.,	Doors, Sash and Blinds,	1891, '92
25, . . .	Charles H. Hobson,	Lowell,	June 20, 1857,	Lowell,	Supt. Manuf. Co.,	1891, '92
26, . . .	Edgar S. Dodge,	Natick,	Oct. 21, 1858,	Enfield, N. H.,	Physician,	1891, '92
27, . . .	Granville C. Fiske,	Ashland,	Aug. 21, 1846,	Eden, Vt.,	Farmer,	1892
. . .	Russell M. French,	Frammingham,	Aug. 22, 1850,	Washington,	Contractor,	1892
28, . . .	George E. Cutler,	Frammingham,	Apr. 22, 1824,	Holliston,	Savings Bank Treas'r,	1892
. . .	William H. Brigham,	Hudson,	Feb. 1, 1863,	Feltonville,	Shoe Manufacturer,	1892
29, . . .	John J. O'Brien,	Marlborough,	June 11, 1862,	Pepperell,	Shoe Cutter,	1892
30, . . .	N. Emery Whitcomb,	Boxborough,	Apr. 11, 1836,	Wells, Me.,	Farmer,	1892
31, . . .	Joseph B. Heald,	Pepperell,	Mar. 18, 1850,	Chester Nation, L. T.,	Physician,	1892
32, . . .	Clarence Stickney,	Townsend,	July 12, 1849,	Townsend,	Coopersage,	1892
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No. 1, . . .	Arthur H. Gardner,	Nantucket,	Aug. 4, 1854,	San Francisco, Cal.,	Publisher,	1891, '92

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1,	George S. Winslow,	Norwood,	Apr. 6, 1829,	South Dedham,	Tanner,	1892
2,	Jacob P. Bates,	Brookline,	Apr. 7, 1843,	Abington,	Grocer,	1892
3,	Wilbur H. Powers,	Hyde Park,	Jan. 22, 1849,	Croydon, N. H.,	Lawyer,	1890, '91, '92
4,	George R. R. Rivers,	Milton,	May 28, 1853,	Providence, R. I.,	Lawyer,	1892
5,	John R. Graham,	Quincy,	Dec. 19, 1847,	Ireland,	Boot and Shoe Mfr.,	1892
	James F. Burke,	Quincy,	Nov. 2, 1861,	West Quincy,	Granite,	1891, '92
6,	Zechariah L. Bicknell,	Weymouth,	June 20, 1820,	East Weymouth,	Dry Goods,	1892, '91, '92
7,	B. Herbert Woodsum,	Brantree,	Oct. 4, 1857,	Randolph,	Tack Manufacturer,	1891, '92
	Robert P. Capen,	Stoughton,	May 6, 1824,	Stoughton,	Dairy Farmer,	1891, '92
8,	Timothy F. Quinn,	Sharon,	Dec. 27, 1863,	Boston,	Unloading Vessels,	1892
	Amos F. Woodward,	Franklin,	Dec. 23, 1837,	Franklin,	Salesman,	1892
9,	Henry E. Ruggles,	Franklin,	July 25, 1858,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1892
	N. Frank Harding,	Medfield,	Nov. 3, 1843,	Medfield,	Carpenter and Builder,	1892
PLYMOUTH COUNTY.						
No.						
1,	Edward B. Atwood,	Plymouth,	May 13, 1845,	Welfleet,	Lumber Dealer,	1892
2,	E. Elbridge Atwood,	Kingston,	Mar. 8, 1842,	Carver,	Road Commissioner,	1892
3,	Thomas Barstow,	Norwell,	Apr. 26, 1850,	Norwell,	Carpenter and Builder,	1892
4,	Amos A. Lawrence,	Cohasset,	Nov. 3, 1847,	Cohasset,	Merchant,	1892
5,	Joshua S. Gray,	Rockland,	Aug. 16, 1840,	East Abington,	Dry Goods,	1892
6,	Jeremiah T. Richmond,	Abington,	Mar. 24, 1829,	Taunton,	Machinist,	1892
7,	Hiram W. Barrows,	Wareham,	Jan. 19, 1834,	Wareham,	Carriage Maker,	1892
8,	George L. Soule,	Middleboro',	Mar. 25, 1832,	Middleborough,	Furniture Dealer,	1892
9,	George C. Howard,	W. Bridgewater,	Oct. 2, 1860,	W. Bridgewater,	Farmer,	1892
10,	George H. Garfield,	Brockton,	July 18, 1858,	West Dennis,	Provision Dealer,	1892
11,	Emery M. Low,	Brockton,	Mar. 29, 1859,	Roxbury,	Paper Boxes,	1892
12,	David W. Battles,	Brockton,	Jan. 20, 1854,	No. Bridgew'r,	Foreman Shoe Factory,	1892

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<b>SUFFOLK COUNTY.</b>						
No. 1.	Lewis Burnham, . Frank C. Wood, . Charles A. Kelly, . Benjamin J. Sullivan, . Cornelius E. Mahoney, . John F. Sundberg, . William H. Oakes, . Edward E. Turner, . Edward W. Presho, . Charles M. Dacey, . Jeremiah J. Crowley, . James O. Fallon, . Patrick F. Brogan, . Edward P. Clark, . Daniel F. Breen, . Michael B. Gilbride, . Charles E. Harris, . George v. L. Meyer, . Howdoin S. Parker, . Charles F. Sprague, . James M. Olmstead, . Perlie A. Dyar, . Patrick J. Heffernin, . Daniel P. Toomey, .	East Boston, . East Boston, . East Boston, . East Boston, . Charlestown, . Charlestown, . Charlestown, . Charlestown, . Charlestown, . Charlestown, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, .	Apr. 23, 1844, Sept. 20, 1849, Apr. 7, 1858, Jan. 12, 1856, - Oct. 15, 1860, Jan. 24, 1857, Apr. 15, 1837, May 29, 1859, Aug. 7, 1863, Aug. 7, 1852, Mar. 16, 1840, Jan. 8, 1862, Dec. 4, 1854, June 7, 1860, Feb. 13, 1856, - June 24, 1858, Aug. 10, 1841, June 10, 1857, Feb. 6, 1852, Mar. 26, 1857, - Mar. 16, 1861,	Essex, . Freedom, N. H., . Dubuque, Iowa, . Boston, . Charlestown, . Gottenberg, Sweden, . Cohasset, . Charlestown, . Charlestown, . Charlestown, . Boston, . Ireland, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Boston, . Conway, . Boston, . Framingham, . Lynn, . Boston, . Ireland, .	Real Estate and Ins'ce, Dry Goods, . Printer, . Clerk, . Engineer, . Photo-Mechanical Etcher, . Grocer, . Wood Carver, . Subscription Books, . Undertaker, . Upholsterer, . Clerk, . Printer, . Stable Keeper, . Instructor of Rowing, . Manuf. Agricult' Implement, . Caterer, . Merchant, . Lawyer, . Lawyer, . Lawyer, . - Liquor Dealer, . Publisher, .	1852 1852 1852 1891, '92 1891, '92 1892 1891, '92 1892 1892 1892 1892 70, '71, '91, '92 1892 1892 1891, '92 1892 1892 1891, '92 1891, '92 1891, '92 1891, '92 1891, '92 1891, '92 1892

13,	Daniel McCarthy,	South Boston,	July 1, 1856,	Boston,	Boiler Maker,	1891, '92
	Thomas A. Quinn,	South Boston,	1858,	Boston,	Printer,	1892
14,	Charles J. Chance,	South Boston,	Dec. 19, 1857,	Cambridge,	Barber,	1891, '92
	Richard F. McSolla,	South Boston,	Jan. 27, 1855,	South Boston,	Bottler,	1891, '92
15,	Joseph J. Casey,	South Boston,	Dec. 25, 1863,	Boston,	Clothing Dealer,	1892
	John B. Lynch,	South Boston,	Apr. 18, 1858,	Boston,	Salesman,	1890, '91, '92
16,	Isaac Rosnosky,	Boston,	Nov. 6, 1846,	Wollstein, Prussia,	Clothing Manufact'r,	1890, '91, '92
	Thomas J. Keliher,	Boston,	Oct. 18, 1858,	Boston,	Grocer,	1890, '91, '92
17,	Andrew M. Lanigan,	Boston,	July 10, 1860,	Boston,	Clerk,	1891, '92
	Bernard M. Wolf,	Boston,	Feb. 17, 1862,	Boston,	Merchant,	1892
18,	Augustus G. Perkins,	Boston,	June 20, 1846,	Newcastle, Me.,	Paper Dealer,	1890, '92
	S. Stillman Blanchard,	Boston,	June 23, 1835,	Cambridge,	Merchant,	1891, '92
19,	Charles H. Bryant,	Boston,	May 28, 1854,	Boston,	Confectionery,	1892
	William J. Dolan,	Boston,	Nov. 4, 1864,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1892
20,	John J. Hoar,	Boston,	June 1, 1864,	Ireland,	Commercial Traveller,	1892
	John Golding,	Boston,	Apr. ~, 1849,	Ireland,	Piano Varnisher,	1891, '92
21,	Benjamin F. Brown,	Boston,	Feb. 23, 1834,	Roxbury,	Life Insurance,	1892
22,	John H. Norton,	Boston,	June 9, 1839,	Chelsea,	Leather Merchant,	1892
	William L. Mooney,	Boston,	Feb. 16, 1867,	Roxbury,	Real Estate,	1891, '92
23,	Salem D. Charles,	Boston,	Mar. 19, 1850,	Brimfield,	Lawyer,	1891, '92
	William G. Baker,	Boston,	June 9, 1846,	Derry, N. H.,	Treasurer,	1891, '92
24,	Frederic W. Bliss,	Dorchester,	Oct. 14, 1852,	Rehoboth,	Lawyer,	1891, '92
	Louis M. Clark,	Dorchester,	Dec. 14, 1858,	Dorchester,	Lawyer,	1891, '92
25,	Bentley W. Warren,	Brighton,	Apr. 20, 1864,	Brighton,	Lawyer,	1891, '92
	Charles H. Holmes,	Chelsea,	Oct. 4, 1859,	Chelsea,	Wharfinger,	1892
26,	Marcus M. Merritt,	Chelsea,	Apr. 1, 1839,	Templeton,	Cigars and Tobacco,	1892
	John C. Loud,	Chelsea,	July 26, 1814,	Plymouth, Me.,	Real Estate,	1891, '92
27,	Albert W. Richardson,	Winthrop,	Aug. 28, 1854,	Winthrop,	Plumber,	1891, '92

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WORCESTER COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	Charles Crosman, . . .	Athol, . . .	Dec. 27, 1839, . . .	Athol, . . .	Grocer, . . .	1892
2, . . .	Percival Blodgett, . . .	Templeton, . . .	- 1811, . . .	Orange, . . .	Merchant, . . .	1880, '92
3, . . .	S. Augustus Howe, . . .	Gardner, . . .	July 2, 1839, . . .	Gardner, . . .	Merchant, . . .	1891, '92
4, . . .	George R. Simonds, . . .	Barre, . . .	Apr. 2, 1852, . . .	Northfield, . . .	Merchant, . . .	1892
5, . . .	Stillman F. Morse, . . .	Holden, . . .	Nov. 28, 1857, . . .	Putnam, Conn., . . .	Mfr of Cotton Goods, . . .	1892
6, . . .	Albert G. Blodgett, . . .	W. Brookfield, . . .	Sept. 2, 1841, . . .	Monson, . . .	Physician, . . .	1892
7, . . .	Edward Fairbanks, . . .	Warren, . . .	Nov. 20, 1836, . . .	West Brookfield, . . .	Merchant, . . .	1892
8, . . .	J. Bradford Sargent, . . .	Leicester, . . .	June 14, 1859, . . .	Leicester, . . .	Steam Engines, . . .	1892
9, . . .	Lemuel Healy, . . .	Dudley, . . .	Sept. 28, 1835, . . .	Dudley, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1892
10, . . .	John F. Hinds, . . .	Webster, . . .	May 1, 1819, . . .	Worcester, . . .	Jeweller, . . .	1891, '92
11, . . .	Henry C. Batcheller, . . .	Sutton, . . .	Sept. 5, 1830, . . .	Sutton, . . .	Shoe Manufacturer, . . .	1892
12, . . .	George S. Ball, . . .	Upton, . . .	May 22, 1822, . . .	Leominster, . . .	Clergyman, . . .	1894, '92
13, . . .	John T. McLoughlin, . . .	Milford, . . .	June 2, 1865, . . .	Worcester, . . .	Insurance, . . .	1891, '92
14, . . .	Michael Carroll, . . .	Blackstone, . . .	July 11, 1849, . . .	Blackstone, . . .	Clerk, . . .	1891, '92
15, . . .	George H. Rugg, . . .	Grafton, . . .	Jan. 14, 1826, . . .	Leominster, . . .	Boot and Shoe Mfg'r., . . .	1892
16, . . .	DeWitt C. Nichols, . . .	Southborough, . . .	Aug. 13, 1846, . . .	Southborough, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1892
17, . . .	Andrew L. Nourse, . . .	Bolton, . . .	Jan. 24, 1842, . . .	Marlborough, . . .	Farming, . . .	1892
18, . . .	Wallington E. Parkhurst, . . .	Cilinton, . . .	Jan. 19, 1835, . . .	Frammingham, . . .	Editor, . . .	1892
19, . . .	Aaron O. Wilder, . . .	Leominster, . . .	Aug. 4, 1833, . . .	Wendell, . . .	Merchant, . . .	1890, '91, '92
20, . . .	Edward W. Ackley, . . .	Fitchburg, . . .	Apr. 16, 1838, . . .	Griswold, Conn., . . .	Machinist, . . .	1892
21, . . .	Henry F. Rockwell, . . .	Fitchburg, . . .	Sept. 9, 1849, . . .	Fitchburg, . . .	Apothecary, . . .	1892
22, . . .	Alfred S. Roe, . . .	Worcester, . . .	June 8, 1841, . . .	Rose, N. Y., . . .	Editor, . . .	1892
23, . . .	James P. Crosby, . . .	Worcester, . . .	Aug. 15, 1836, . . .	Croydon, N. H., . . .	Iron and Metal, . . .	1892



## OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE.

18, . . .	Eugene M. Moriarty,	Worcester,	Apr. 15, 1849,	Ireland,	Journalist,	. . .	1880, '81, '82, '83, '90, '91, '92
19, . . .	James H. Mellen,	Worcester,	Nov. 7, 1845,	Worcester,	Editor,	. . .	1877, '78, '79, '81, '83, '86, '88, '89, '91, '92
20, . . .	James F. Melaven,	Worcester,	Nov. 19, 1858,	Worcester,	Painter,	. . .	1882
21, . . .	Henry J. Jennings,	Worcester,	Nov. 25, 1829,	Brookfield,	Gold and Silver Plate,	1882	
22, . . .	Henry G. Taft,	Worcester,	— 1836,	Upton,	Grocer,	. . .	1881, '92
23, . . .	George S. Clough,	Worcester,	May 2, 1839,	Kenneb'k'pt, Me.,	Real Estate,	. . .	1881, '92

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	First Year in Office.
Edward A. McLaughlin, <i>Clerk</i> , . . .	Boston,	Sept. 25, 1853,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1883
James W. Kimball, <i>Assistant Clerk</i> , . . .	Lynn,	Dec. 17, 1858,	Lynn,	Printer,	1888
John G. B. Adams, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i> , . . .	Lynn,	Oct. 6, 1841,	Groveland,	—	1886
Rev. Daniel W. Waldron, <i>Chaplain</i> , . . .	Boston,	Nov. 11, 1840,	Augusta, Me.,	Clergyman,	1879

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The date 1817 denotes the time when the several rules against which it is placed were first preserved. Previous to that year these rules are not to be found, although from the Senate Journal it appears that they were printed.

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### THE PRESIDENT.

1. The President shall take the chair at the hour to which the Senate stands adjourned, shall call the members to order, and, on the appearance of a quorum, shall proceed to business. (1.) [1831; 1888.]

2. The President shall preserve order and decorum, may speak to points of order in preference to other members, and shall decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Senatè. He shall rise to put a question, or to address the Senate, but may read sitting. (2, 5.)

[1817; between 1821 and 1826; 1831; 1888.]

3. The President may vote on all questions. (4.) [1826.]

4. The President may appoint a member to perform the duties of the chair for a period not exceeding three days at any one time. (7.) [1831; 1862; 1865; 1888.]

5. In case of a vacancy in the office of President, or in case the President, or the member appointed by him to perform the duties of the chair, is absent at the hour to which the Senate stands adjourned, the eldest senior member present shall call the Senate to order, and shall preside until a President, or a President *pro tempore*, is elected by ballot, and such election shall be the first business in order. (8.) [1831; 1885; 1888.]

## CLERK.

6. The Clerk shall keep a journal of the proceedings of the Senate, and shall cause the same to be printed daily. He shall, in the journal, make note of all questions of order, and enter at length the decisions thereon. He shall insert in an appendix to the journal the rules of the Senate and the joint rules of the two branches. (11, 12.) [1882; 1888.]

7. The Clerk shall prepare and cause to be printed each day a calendar of matters in order for consideration; a list of matters lying on the table; and such other memoranda as he may deem necessary, and as the Senate or the President may direct. (13.) [1882; 1888.]

8. The Clerk shall retain bills and other papers, in reference to which any member has a right to move a reconsideration (except petitions, bills and resolves introduced on leave, orders of inquiry, orders of notice, reports of committees asking to be discharged from the further consideration of a subject, and enacted bills), until the right of reconsideration has expired. (15, 56.) [1855; 1856; 1875; 1882; 1885; 1888; 1891.]

9. When a bill or resolve coming from the other branch does not appear in print in the form in which it was passed in that branch, the Clerk shall either indicate the amendments on the Orders of the Day, or shall have the bill or resolve reprinted, at his discretion. [1882.]

## MEMBERS OF THE SENATE.

10. No member shall be permitted to act on a committee or to vote upon a question in which his private right, distinct from the public interest, is immediately concerned. (24, 62.)

[1855; 1888; 1889.]

11. No member shall absent himself from the Senate without leave, unless there is a quorum without his presence. (17.)

[1817.]

## COMMITTEES.

12. The following standing committees shall be appointed at the beginning of the political year, to wit: —

A committee on the Judiciary;

To consist of five members.

- A committee on Probate and Insolvency ;
- A committee on the Treasury ;
- A committee on Bills in the Third Reading ;
- A committee on Engrossed Bills ;

Each to consist of three members.

- A committee on Rules ;

To consist of the President and four members. (20.)

[1831 ; 1836 ; 1840 ; 1844 ; 1847 ; 1863 ; 1864 ; 1870 ;  
1876 ; 1882 ; 1885 ; 1886 ; 1888 ; 1891.]

13. Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless the Senate shall otherwise specially order, and the member first named upon a committee shall be its chairman. In case of the election of a committee by ballot, the member having the highest number of votes shall act as chairman. (21, 22.)

[1817 ; between 1821 and 1826 ; 1831 ; 1888.]

14. No committee shall be allowed to occupy the Senate Chamber without a vote of the Senate. (99.)

[1836 ; 1863 ; 1888.]

15. No legislation affecting the rights of individuals or the rights of a private or municipal corporation, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth or the people of the city or town to which it specifically applies, shall be proposed or introduced except by a petition, nor shall any bill or resolve embodying such legislation be reported by a committee, except upon a petition duly referred, nor shall such a bill or resolve be reported by a committee, whether on an original reference or on a recommittal with instructions to hear the parties, until it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that proper notice of the proposed legislation has been given by public advertisement or otherwise to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth, or until evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. A committee reporting leave to withdraw or reference to the next General Court for want of proper notice or of a waiver thereof shall set forth this fact in its report, and no bill or resolve shall be in order as a substitute for, or amendment of, such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to that of the third reading. (30.) [1870 ; 1871 ; 1885 ; 1890.]

16. When the object of an application, whether by petition, order, or bill or resolve introduced on leave, can be secured



under existing laws, or, without detriment to the public interests, by a general law, the committee to whom the matter is referred shall report leave to withdraw, inexpedient to legislate, or ought not to pass, or a general law, as the case may be. (29.) [1882; 1885; 1888; 1891.]

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#### FORM OF BILLS AND RESOLVES.

17. Bills and resolves shall be presented in a legible form without material erasures or interlineations, on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins and spaces between the several sections or resolves, and dates and numbers shall be written in words at length. Bills amending existing laws shall not provide for striking words from, or inserting words in, such laws, unless such course is the best calculated to show clearly the subject and nature of the amendment. No repealed law and no law which has expired by limitation, and no part of any such law, shall be re-enacted by reference merely. (41.) [1844; 1857; 1880; 1882; 1885; 1888; 1889.]

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#### INTRODUCTION OF BUSINESS.

18. Every member presenting a petition, memorial, or remonstrance, shall endorse his name thereon, and a brief statement of the nature and object of the instrument; and the reading of the instrument shall be dispensed with, unless specially ordered. (36.) [1831; 1888.]

19. All motions contemplating legislation, when not founded upon petition, or upon bill or resolve proposed to be introduced on leave, shall be made in the form of an order of inquiry to a committee, which shall indicate the nature of the legislation proposed; and if reference is made to any particular law, for amendment or otherwise, the order shall specify the chapter and section, as well as the subject to which it relates. (39.) [1858; 1888; 1891.]

20. All bills and resolves for introduction on leave, resolutions and petitions, and all orders of inquiry contemplating legislation, which are intended for presentation or introduction to the Senate, and all reports of State officers, shall first be deposited with the Clerk, and, prior to their presentation or introduction, shall be submitted by him to the committee on

Rules for inspection. The committee shall examine the same for the purpose of ascertaining (1) whether the legislation proposed is plainly and specifically stated or already provided for; (2) whether such bills, resolves, resolutions, petitions and orders are in proper form; (3) that the proper reference to a committee is designated; and (4) that compliance has been had with the rules of the Senate and the joint rules of the two branches. Every such matter shall be returned by the committee on Rules to the Clerk not later than the third legislative day succeeding the day of its deposit with him, unless consent in writing to the longer detention thereof is filed with the Clerk by the member presenting the matter, and it shall be by the Clerk laid before the Senate not later than on the next legislative day after it is so returned. The committee on Rules shall make no change in the substance or form of any such matter or name of the committee designated for reference, without the consent of the member depositing the same, but upon the presentation or introduction of any such matter to the Senate it shall be the duty of some member of the committee on Rules, acting under the committee's instruction, to suggest any failure to comply with the rules, and to offer such amendment or propose such other action as is determined proper or necessary by the committee within the scope of its duties, as above set forth. If, upon such motion, before a petition is referred to a committee, the petitioner is given leave to withdraw because the petition is not in proper form, such action shall not be deemed to be a final rejection under Rule 52 and shall not prejudice the right of a member to present a petition for the same object conformably to the rules of the Senate and the joint rules of the two branches. (28.) [1891.]

21. No bill or resolve shall be proposed or introduced unless received from the House of Representatives, reported by a committee, or moved as an amendment to the report of a committee, except that special leave may be granted to a member to introduce a bill or resolve, and such bill or resolve shall thereupon be referred to the proper committee for consideration and report. (46.) [1881; 1882; 1888.]

22. The consideration of any order proposed for adoption, or of any request for leave to introduce a bill or resolve, or of any motion to suspend Senate Rule 15, or joint rule 8, 9 or 12, shall be postponed without question to the day after that on

which the order is proposed or request made, if any member asks such postponement. (40.) [1885; 1891.]

23. A petition for the incorporation of a town or city, or for the division of an existing town or city, or for the incorporation of a railroad, street railway, elevated railroad or canal company, or for the amendment, alteration or extension of the charter or corporate powers or privileges of any such company, either specially incorporated or organized under general laws, or for authority to take water for a water supply, or relative to building structures over navigable or tide waters, shall be referred to the next General Court, and not to a committee, unless the petitioner has given the notice required by chapter 24 of the Acts of the year 1885, as amended by chapter 302 of the Acts of the year 1890, or by other provisions of law; but if, no objection being raised, such a petition is referred to a committee, without such required notice, the committee shall forthwith report reference to the next General Court, setting forth as the reason for such report, failure to give the required notice, unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. In case a bill or resolve is reported by a committee upon such a petition, after proof of such waiver of notice, this fact shall be set forth in the report of the committee. When a report of reference to the next General Court is made by a committee on account of failure to give the required notice, no bill or resolve shall be substituted for such report, nor shall such report be recommitted or referred to another committee; but reference of the petition to the next General Court for want of proper notice under this rule shall not affect action upon any other measure involving the same subject-matter. (31.)

[1890; 1891.] (See Rule 15.)

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#### COURSE OF PROCEEDINGS.

24. Bills and resolves from the House, after they are read a first time, shall be referred to a committee of the Senate, unless they have been reported by a joint committee. Bills and resolves reported in the Senate, and bills and resolves from the House reported by joint committees, shall, after they have been read once, be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next day for a second reading without a question, except as otherwise provided

by Rule 25. Resolutions received from the House, or introduced or reported in the Senate, shall be read and, pending the question on their adoption, shall be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next day. (44, 55.)

[1825; 1885; 1888; 1890; 1891.]

25. Bills and resolves involving the expenditure of public money, or a grant of public property, unless the subject-matter has been acted upon by the joint committee on Expenditures, shall, after the first reading, be referred in course to the committee on the Treasury, whose duty it shall be to report on their relation to the finances of the Commonwealth or of any county thereof. (43.) [1871; 1882; 1887; 1888; 1889.]

26. No bill or resolve shall pass to be engrossed without three readings on three several days. (50.)

[1817; 1836; 1841; 1859; 1878; 1881; 1882; 1885.]

27. Bills and resolves, in their several readings, and resolutions, shall be read by their titles, unless objection is made. (47.)

[1817; 1836; 1841; 1859; 1878; 1881; 1882; 1885; 1890.]

28. If a committee to whom a bill or resolve is referred report that the same ought not to pass, the question shall be "Shall this bill (or resolve) be rejected?" If the rejection is negatived, the bill or resolve, if it has been read but once, shall go to its second reading without a question; and if it has been read more than once it shall be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next day, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, or engrossment, as the case may be. (42.)

[1817; 1836; 1841; 1859; 1878; 1881; 1882; 1885.]

29. If an amendment is made at the second or third reading of a bill or resolve, substantially changing the greater part thereof, the question shall not be put forthwith on ordering the bill or resolve to a third reading or to be engrossed, as the case may be, but the bill or resolve, as amended, shall be placed in the Orders of the next day after that on which the amendment is made, and shall then be open to further amendment before such question is put. In like manner, when an amendment is made in any proposition of such a nature as to change its character, as from a bill to an order, or the like, the proposition as amended shall be placed in the Orders of the next day after that on which the amendment was made. (61.)

[1882; 1888.]

30. Bills or resolves ordered to a third reading shall be placed in the Orders for the next day for such reading. (57.)  
[1817; 1836; 1841; 1859; 1878; 1881; 1882; 1885.]

31. Bills and resolves when ordered to a third reading shall be referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, whose duty it shall be to examine and correct them, for the purpose of avoiding repetitions and unconstitutional provisions, and of insuring accuracy in the text and references, and consistency with the language of existing statutes; but any change in the sense or legal effect, or any material change in construction, shall be reported to the Senate as an amendment. Resolutions received from the House or introduced or reported in the Senate shall, after they are read and before they are adopted, be referred, in like manner, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. When a bill, resolve or resolution has been so referred, no further action shall be taken until report thereon has been made by the committee. (26, 49.)

[1817; 1836; 1882; 1888; 1890; 1891.]

32. Engrossed bills and resolves shall be referred to the committee on Engrossed Bills, whose duty it shall be carefully to compare the same with the bills or resolves as passed to be engrossed; and, if found by them to be rightly and truly engrossed, they shall so endorse on the envelope thereof; and the question of enactment or final passage shall be taken thereon without further reading, unless specially ordered. (27, 51, 53.)

[1817; 1831; 1882; 1888.]

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#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

33. The unfinished business in which the Senate was engaged at the time of the last adjournment shall have the preference in the Orders of the Day next after motions to reconsider. (59.) [1830; 1870.]

34. Reports of committees not by bill or resolve shall be placed in the Orders of the next day after that on which they are made to the Senate or received from the House, as the case may be; except that the report of a committee asking to be discharged from the further consideration of a subject, and recommending that it be referred to another committee, shall be immediately considered. Amendments to a measure, which have been made by the House and sent back to the Senate for

concurrence, shall be placed in the Orders of the next day after that on which they are received. (45, 56.)

[1845; 1853; 1888; 1891.]

35. After entering upon the consideration of the Orders of the Day, the Senate shall proceed with them in regular course, as follows: Matters not giving rise to a motion or debate shall first be disposed of in the order in which they stand in the calendar; then the matters that were passed over shall be considered and disposed of in like order. (58.)

[1817; 1836; 1841; 1859; 1878; 1882; 1885.]

36. No matter which has been duly placed in the Orders of the Day shall be discharged therefrom or considered out of its regular course. (60.) [1885.]

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#### RULES OF DEBATE.

37. Every member, when he speaks, shall stand in his place and address the President. (72.) [1817; 1831; 1871.]

38. When two or more members rise to speak at the same time, the President shall designate the member who is entitled to the floor. (73.) [1831; 1888.]

39. No member shall speak more than once to the prevention of any other member who has not spoken and desires to speak on the same question. (75.) [1817; 1886.]

40. No member shall interrupt another while speaking, except by rising to call to order. (74.) [1817; 1831.]

41. After a question is put to vote no member shall speak to it. [1817.]

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#### MOTIONS.

42. Any motion shall be reduced to writing, if the President so directs. A motion need not be seconded and may be withdrawn by the mover if no objection is made. (76, 77.)

[1817; 1844; 1871; 1888.]

43. A question containing two or more propositions, capable of division, shall be divided whenever desired by any member. When a motion to strike out and insert is thus divided, the failure of the motion to strike out shall not preclude amendment; or, if the motion to strike out prevails, the matter proposed to be inserted shall be open to amendment before the question is taken on inserting it. (90.) [1817; 1841; 1888.]

44. When a question is under debate the President shall receive no motion that does not relate to the same, except a motion to adjourn or some other motion which has precedence by express rule of the Senate, or because it is privileged in its nature ; and he shall receive no motion relating to the same except : —

- (1) *To lay on the table ;*
- (2) *To close debate at a specified time ;*
- (3) *To postpone to a day certain ;*
- (4) *To commit (or recommit) ;*
- (5) *To amend ;*
- (6) *To refer to the next General Court ; or*
- (7) *To postpone indefinitely ;*

These motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand. (79.)

[Between 1821 and 1826 ; 1831 ; 1844 ; 1870 ; 1882 ; 1885 ; 1888.]

45. Debate may be closed at any time not less than one hour from the adoption of a motion to that effect. On this motion not more than ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and no member shall speak more than three minutes. (84.)

[1882.]

46. When motions are made to refer a subject to different committees, the committees proposed shall be considered in the following order : —

- (1) A standing committee of the Senate ;
- (2) A special committee of the Senate ;
- (3) A joint standing committee of the two branches ;
- (4) A joint special committee of the two branches. (87.)

[1884 ; 1888.]

47. No engrossed bill or resolve shall be amended. (52.)

[1837.]

48. No motion or proposition of a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under the color of an amendment. (89.) [1882.]

49. In filling blanks the largest sum and longest time shall be put first. (86, 91.) [1882.]

50. The motion to adjourn, and the call for yeas and nays, shall be decided without debate. On the motions to lay on the table and take from the table, to commit or recommit (except with instructions), not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed

for debate, and no member shall speak more than three minutes. (68, 78.) [1817; 1859; 1870; 1874; 1882; 1885.]

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#### RECONSIDERATION.

51. When a vote has passed, except on motion to adjourn, for the yeas and nays, to lay on the table or to take from the table, it shall not be in order for any member to move a reconsideration thereof except on the same day or before the Orders of the Day are taken up on the succeeding day. Such motion, if made on the same day, shall be placed first in the Orders of the Day for the day succeeding that on which it is made; but if first moved on such succeeding day, it shall be forthwith considered; and, when a motion for reconsideration is decided, that decision shall not be reconsidered: *provided, however*, that a motion to reconsider a vote upon any incidental or subsidiary question shall not remove the main subject under consideration from before the Senate, but shall be considered at the time when it is made. (69, 70.)

[1817; between 1821 and 1826; 1858; 1885; 1888; 1891.]

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#### REJECTED MEASURES.

52. When any measure has been finally rejected, no measure substantially the same shall be introduced by any committee or member during the session. (48.)

[1817 — dispensed with in 1831, and revived in 1838 — amended in 1841; 1844; 1877; 1882.]

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#### VOTING.

53. The President shall declare all votes; but if a member doubts a vote, the President shall order a return of the number voting in the affirmative, and in the negative, without further debate. (3, 65.) [1831; 1888.]

54. When a member moves that a question be taken by yeas and nays, the President shall take the sense of the Senate in that manner, provided one-fifth of the members present so direct. If, before the question is taken, a member states to the Senate that he has paired with another member and how each would vote on the pending question, the fact shall be



entered on the journal immediately after the record of the yeas and nays, and such member shall be excused from voting. (67.) [1817; 1852; 1888.]

55. Whenever a question is taken by yeas and nays, the Clerk shall call the names of all the members, except the President, in alphabetical order, and every member present shall answer to his name, unless excused before the vote is taken; and no member shall be permitted to vote after the decision is announced from the chair. (63, 67.) [1837; 1844.]

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#### ELECTIONS BY BALLOT.

56. In all elections by ballot a time shall be assigned for such election, at least one day previous thereto, except in case of an election of President or President *pro tempore*, under the provisions of Rule 5. (95.) [1831; 1891.]

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#### REPORTERS.

57. Seats for reporters shall be numbered, and assigned by lot, under the direction of the Clerk of the Senate. [1847.]

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#### THE SENATE CHAMBER AND ADJOINING ROOMS.

58. No person not a member shall be allowed to sit at the Senate table while the Senate is in session. (98.) [1853; 1888.]

59. No person except members of the legislative and executive departments of the State Government, past members of the Senate, and members of the press, shall be admitted, during the half hour preceding or during the half hour succeeding the session of the Senate, to the Clerk's room or to the room intervening between that and the Senate Chamber, unless invited by the President or Clerk, or introduced by a Senator in person at the time of such admission. No person other than those above specified, unless so invited or introduced, shall, while the Senate is in session, be admitted within the bar of the Senate. No person except members of the legislative and executive departments of the State Government, past members of the Senate and legislative reporters shall be permitted to remain in the

Clerk's room or in the room intervening between that and the Senate Chamber, while the Senate is in session. (98.)

[1870; 1875; 1886; 1891.]

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#### PARLIAMENTARY PRACTICE.

60. The rules of Parliamentary Practice comprised in Cushing's Manual, and the Principles of Parliamentary Law, set forth in Cushing's larger work, shall govern the Senate in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the rules of the Senate, or the joint rules of the two branches. (100.) [1847; 1858; 1882.]

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#### ALTERATIONS, SUSPENSION OR REPEAL OF RULES.

61. This rule and rules 22, 29, 31, 32 and 51, shall not be suspended if objection is made, and no rule shall be altered, suspended, or repealed, except by vote of two-thirds of the members present. (102.)

[1817; 1841; 1848; 1882; 1888; 1891.]

[No. 3.]

JOINT RULES

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## COMMITTEES.

1. Joint standing committees shall be appointed at the beginning of the political year as follows : —

- A committee on Agriculture ;
- A committee on Banks and Banking ;
- A committee on Cities ;
- A committee on Constitutional Amendments ;
- A committee on Drainage ;
- A committee on Education ;
- A committee on Election Laws ;
- A committee on Labor ;
- A committee on Manufactures ;
- A committee on Mercantile Affairs ;
- A committee on Military Affairs ;
- A committee on Public Charitable Institutions ;
- A committee on Street Railways ;
- A committee on Water Supply ;

Each to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and eight on the part of the House.

- A committee on Federal Relations ;
- A committee on Fisheries and Game ;
- A committee on Harbors and Public Lands ;
- A committee on Insurance ;
- A committee on Libraries ;
- A committee on the Liquor Law ;
- A committee on Parishes and Religious Societies ;
- A committee on Printing ;
- A committee on Prisons ;
- A committee on Public Health ;
- A committee on Public Service ;
- A committee on Roads and Bridges ;
- A committee on State House ;
- A committee on Taxation ;
- A committee on Towns ;
- A committee on Woman Suffrage ;

Each to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and seven on the part of the House.

A committee on Railroads, to consist of four members on the part of the Senate, and eleven on the part of the House.

A committee on Expenditures, to consist of the committee on

the Treasury of the Senate, and the committee on Finance of the House.

Matters referred by either the Senate or the House to its committee on the Judiciary, on Probate and Insolvency, or on Rules, shall be considered by the respective committees of the two branches, acting as joint committees, when, in the judgment of the chairmen of the respective committees of the two branches, the interests of legislation or the expedition of business will be better served by such joint consideration. Matters may also be referred respectively to the committees on the Judiciary, on Probate and Insolvency, and on Rules, of the two branches, as joint committees.

The committees on Rules, together with the presiding officers of the two branches, acting as a joint committee, may consider and suggest such measures as shall, in their judgment, tend to facilitate the business of the session. [Amended Jan. 6, 1882; Jan. 5, 1883; Jan. 7, 1884; Jan. 8, 1885; Jan. 26, 1885; Jan. 8, 1886; Jan. 12, 1887; Jan. 9, 1888; Jan. 28, 1889; Jan. 8, 1890; Feb. 2, 1891; Jan. 11, 1892, and Feb. 10, 1892.]

2. No member of either branch shall act as counsel for any party before any committee of the Legislature.

3. No joint committee shall be given authority to travel outside of the limits of the Commonwealth except by a concurrent vote of two-thirds of the members of each branch present and voting thereon, and no committee shall so travel except at the expense of the Commonwealth. In any case when a committee is authorized to travel, the Sergeant-at-Arms shall provide transportation only for members of the committee and the officer accompanying them, and the reasonable travelling expenses of such members and officers only shall be charged to or paid by the Commonwealth. Neither the Sergeant-at-Arms nor the officer detailed by him shall permit any person to accompany such committee while in the discharge of its official duties, unless invited by vote of the committee.

All bills for the travelling expenses of committees shall, in such form and detail as may be prescribed by the Auditor of the Commonwealth, be submitted by the Sergeant-at-Arms to the committee by whom they have been incurred; and such bills, before they are presented to the Auditor of the Commonwealth, shall first be approved by a majority of the committee incurring them. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall procure from the

Auditor and shall, on the first Monday in each month, transmit to the General Court in print a statement of all such bills which have been presented to the Auditor during the preceding month. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890. Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

4. Joint committees may report by bill, resolve, or otherwise, to either branch, at their discretion, having reference to an equal distribution of business between the two branches, except that money bills shall be reported to the House; and except that when a report is made from any committee to either branch, and the subject-matter thereof is subsequently referred therein to a joint committee, such committee shall report its action to the branch in which the original report was made. [See also next rule.]

5. Reports of joint committees may be recommitted to the same committees at the pleasure of the branch first acting thereon, and bills or resolves may be recommitted in either branch, but no such recommitment shall be made after the fourth Wednesday in March. A concurrent vote shall, however, be necessary for the recommitment of such reports, bills, or resolves, with instructions. After recommitment, report shall, in all cases, be made to the branch originating the recommitment. [Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

6. Bills and resolves reported by joint committees shall be printed or fairly written in a legible hand, without material erasure or interlineation, and on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins, and with spaces between the several sections. Dates and numbers shall be printed or written in words at length. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

7. Whenever, upon any application for an act of incorporation or other legislation, the purpose for which such legislation is sought can be secured without detriment to the public interests by a general law or under existing laws, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report such general law, or "leave to withdraw," or "inexpedient to legislate." [Amended Feb. 2, 1891]

#### *Notice to Parties Interested.*

8. No legislation affecting the rights of individuals or the rights of a private or municipal corporation, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth or the people of the city or town to which it specifically applies,



shall be proposed or introduced except by a petition, nor shall any bill or resolve embodying such legislation be reported by a committee except upon a petition duly referred, nor shall such a bill or resolve be reported by a committee, whether on an original reference or on a recommittal with instructions to hear the parties, until it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that proper notice of the proposed legislation has been given by public advertisement or otherwise to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth, or until evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. A committee reporting leave to withdraw or reference to the next General Court for want of proper notice or of a waiver thereof shall set forth this fact in its report, and no bill or resolve shall be in order as a substitute for, or amendment of, such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to that of the third reading. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890.]

9. A petition for the incorporation of a town or city, or for the division of an existing town or city, or for the incorporation of a railroad, street railway, elevated railroad or canal company, or for the amendment, alteration or extension of the charter or corporate powers or privileges of any such company, either specially incorporated or organized under general laws, or for authority to take water for a water supply, or relative to building structures over navigable or tide waters, shall be referred to the next General Court, and not to a committee, unless the petitioner has given the notice required by chapter 24 of the Acts of the year 1885, as amended by chapter 302 of the Acts of the year 1890, or by other provisions of law; but if, no objection being raised, such a petition is referred to a committee without such required notice, the committee shall forthwith report reference to the next General Court, setting forth as the reason for such report failure to give the required notice, unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. In case a bill or resolve is reported by a committee upon such a petition after proof of such waiver of notice, this fact shall be set forth in the report of the committee. When a report of reference to the next General Court is made by a committee on account of failure to give the required notice, no bill or resolve shall be substituted for such report, nor shall such report be recommitted or

referred to another committee ; but reference of the petition to the next General Court for want of proper notice under this rule shall not affect action upon any other measure involving the same subject-matter. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890. Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

*Limit of Time Allowed for Reports of Committees.*

10. Joint committees shall make final report upon all matters previously referred to them, on or before the fourth Wednesday in March. All matters upon which no report has then been made, shall, on or before the following Monday, be reported by the chairman of the committee on the part of the branch in which they were respectively introduced, with a recommendation of reference to the next General Court under this rule. [Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

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11. Committees of Conference shall consist of three members on the part of each branch, representing its vote ; and their report, if agreed to by a majority of each committee, shall be made to the branch asking the conference, and may be either accepted or rejected, but no other action shall be had, except through a new committee of Conference

*Limit of Time Allowed for New Business.*

12. Resolutions, and petitions, memorials, orders of inquiry, bills and resolves introduced on leave and all other subjects of legislation, except reports required to be made to the Legislature, deposited with the Clerk of either branch subsequent to adjournment on the first Wednesday in February, shall, when presented, be referred to the next General Court ; but this rule shall not apply to petitions in aid of, and remonstrances against, legislation already introduced and pending, nor shall it apply to a petition offered in place of a former one having in view the same object, upon which, before reference to a committee, leave to withdraw was given because the same was not in proper form, provided that such subsequent petition is deposited with the Clerk of either branch within one week from the day on which leave to withdraw was given. This rule shall not be rescinded, amended, or suspended, except by a concurrent vote of four-fifths of the members of each branch present and voting thereon. [Amended Feb. 7, 1890, and Feb. 2, 1891. ]

*Requests for Legislation to be Deposited with the Clerks.*

13. Petitions, memorials, orders of inquiry, bills and resolves for introduction on leave and all other subjects of legislation, and all resolutions, intended for presentation to the General Court by any member, shall be deposited with the Clerk of the branch to which such member belongs, and shall be laid before such branch not later than at the session of the fourth legislative day succeeding the day on which the same have been so deposited. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890. Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

14. The joint committee on Rules shall have authority to prescribe the manner and form of keeping the dockets of legislative counsel and agents which are required by law. [Adopted Feb. 2, 1891.]

*Duties of the Clerks.*

15. If any part of the report of a committee over the signature of the chairman or members of the committee is amended in either branch, the Clerk of that branch shall endorse upon the report such amendment.

16. All papers, while on their passage between the two branches, may be under the signature of the respective Clerks, except bills and resolves in their last stage. Messages may be sent by such persons as each branch may direct.

17. After bills have passed both branches to be engrossed, they shall be in the charge of the Clerks of the two branches, who shall deliver the same to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to be engrossed in the manner prescribed by law; and when engrossed the said Clerks shall forthwith deliver the same to the committee of the House of Representatives on Engrossed Bills; and when the same have passed to be enacted in that House, they shall, in like manner, be delivered to the committee of the Senate on Engrossed Bills.

18. If any petition, memorial, bill, resolve or order, presented or originating in one branch, is adversely acted upon in the other, notice thereof shall be given, under the signature of the Clerk, to the branch in which the same originated.

19. The Clerk of the branch in which a bill originated shall make an endorsement thereon, certifying in which branch the same originated, which endorsement shall be entered on the journals by the Clerks respectively. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

*Printing and Distribution of Documents.*

20. The committee on Printing may make regulations for the distribution of all documents printed or assigned for the use of the Legislature not otherwise disposed of, and such regulations shall be reported to and be subject to the order of the two branches.

Under the general order to print a report, bill or other document, the number printed shall be nine hundred.

Leave to report in print shall not be construed to authorize the printing of extended reports of evidence.

Bills, reports and other documents, printed under the general order of either branch, shall be distributed as follows, to wit: — two copies to each member of the Senate and House of Representatives (to be placed on his file under the direction of the Sergeant-at-Arms, if desired by the member); three copies to each Clerk in either branch, and three copies to each reporter in regular attendance, to whom a seat has been assigned in either branch; twenty copies to the Executive; twenty copies to the Secretary's office; six copies to the State Library; one copy to each Public Library in the Commonwealth, which shall make due application therefor to the Sergeant-at-Arms, and shall make proper provision for the transmission and preservation thereof; and, when the document is the report of a committee, ten copies shall be assigned to the committee making the report. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall preserve as many as may be necessary for the permanent files to be placed in the lobbies, and distribute the remainder under such regulations as may be prescribed by said joint committee. [Amended Jan. 8, 1886. and Jan. 28, 1889.]

21. Bills, resolves and other papers requiring the approval of the Governor shall be laid before him for his approbation by the Clerk of the Senate, who shall enter upon the journal of the Senate the day on which the same were so laid before the Governor. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

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22. All resolves proposing amendments to the Constitution shall have three several readings in each branch, and the question upon agreeing to an amendment to the Constitution shall be taken by yeas and nays. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

*Joint Conventions.*

23. The President of the Senate shall preside in Conventions of the two branches, and such Conventions shall be holden in the Representatives' Chamber ; the Clerk of the Senate shall be Clerk of the Convention, and a record of the proceedings of the Convention shall be entered at large on the journals of both branches.

24. When an agreement has been made by the two branches to go into Convention, such agreement shall not be altered or annulled, except by concurrent vote.

25. No business shall be entered on, in Convention, other than that which may be agreed on before the Convention is formed.

*Joint Elections.*

26. In all elections by joint ballot a time shall be assigned therefor at least one day previous to such election.

*Elections of United States Senators.*

27. The joint assembly required to be held by the statutes of the United States, relating to the elections for Senators in Congress, shall be deemed a Convention of the two branches, and the proceedings therein shall be in accordance with the provisions of said statutes. The President of the Convention shall receive no motion on any day until one vote for Senator has been taken. After one vote for Senator has been taken, no motion shall be in order except a motion to adjourn, for a recess, or to proceed to vote for Senator ; and these motions shall have precedence in the order of their arrangement, and shall be decided without debate. If a motion is made for a recess, and different times are proposed, the question shall first be taken on the most remote time ; and the time shall be determined, but without debate, before the question is put upon taking the recess. On either of the questions permitted by this rule, the sense of the Convention shall be taken by yeas and nays, whenever required by one-fifth of the members present. When the yeas and nays are taken, the roll of the Convention shall be called in alphabetical order ; and no member shall be allowed to vote who was not on the floor when his name was called or before the roll-call was finished. The call for the yeas and nays shall be decided without debate.

28. Any joint rule, except the twelfth, may be altered, suspended, or rescinded, two-thirds of the members present in each branch consenting thereto.

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## THE OATH OF OFFICE.

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I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear and affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as a senator, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States. *So help me, God.*

## AFFIRMATION.

I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly affirm that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

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- Petition (H.) of the mayor of, for legislation permitting the city to appropriate money for pensions, 161; report reference to next General Court, 816; accepted, 825.
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- Order (H.) relative to providing that in, on the petition of the owner of an estate abutting on a street, the sidewalks of such street, or of a part of such street specified in the petition, may be paved with brick, granite or other covering, and edgestones set as the superintendent of streets of said city may deem proper, the expense of the same to be paid from the proceeds of loans such as are provided for in section 1 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and be repaid to said city as the assessable cost of constructing streets is to be paid under the provisions of the said chapter, 181.
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chapter 159 of the Acts of the year 1871, section 2 of chapter 85 of the Acts of the year 1872, sections 6 and 7 of chapter 400 of the Acts of the year 1874, all relating to the water supplies of, so as to provide that, shall pay into the sinking funds created for meeting the water debts at maturity only the sums required to carry out the purposes of said sinking funds, and to use the balance of the income for the laying of pipes or such other purposes as the city council may determine, 182.

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Order (H.) relative to providing that in, on the petition of the owner of an estate abutting on a street, a sewer may be laid in such street, or a part of such street specified in the petition, as the superintendent of streets of said city may deem proper, the expense of the same to be paid from the proceeds of loans such as are provided for in section 1 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and be repaid to said city as the assessable cost of constructing streets is to be paid under the provisions of the said chapter, 182.

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- Boston, city of, Order (H.)** relative to providing for the substitution of a single legislative body for the board of aldermen and common council of, as now established by law, such single legislative body to be elected for a term of two or more years, a part only thereof to be elected each year, and providing for minority representation in voting for the members of said body, 181; report (H.) reference to next General Court, 717; accepted, 726.
- Order (H.)** relative to providing that the term of office of the mayor of, shall be two years, 181.
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- Order (H.)** relative to revising the laws relating to city registrars and city clerks so as to place the gathering of facts and statistics which relate to health in, with the board of health of said city, instead of with the city clerk or city registrar, 181; report inexpedient, 581; accepted, 601.
- Petition (H.)** of Isaac Rosnosky that the park commissioners of, may be authorized to take Jamaica Pond and Ward's Pond, and land surrounding the same, for a public park for, 176.
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- Order (H.)** relative to authorizing the superintendent of streets for, with the approval of the mayor or the board of aldermen of the said city, to construct or repair any street or portion of a street, or furnish the same with sidewalks, edgestones, water pipes or sewers, upon the petition of the owner or owners of land on said street or portion of a street, the expense thereof to be defrayed out of the loans authorized by chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and to be defrayed by the owner or owners of said land in the manner provided by said act, 183; report reference to next General Court, 810; accepted, 821.
- Order (H.)** relative to amending section 2 of chapter 301 of the Acts of the year 1891 so that the city treasurer of, may issue the bonds therein specified for the payment of construction of parks in, and taking lands for the same, to as great amount as shall be required to pay the expenses of such construction, and for all lands that may be taken, 183; report inexpedient, 340; accepted, 351.
- Order (H.)** relative to providing that the enacting style and method of publishing the regulations of the board of aldermen of, shall be such as the board of aldermen of said city shall by regulation prescribe, 184.
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- Boston, city of, Bill relating to the assessment of damages caused by the laying out, altering, discontinuance and specific repairs of highways in (taken from the files of last year), 192, 203.
- Bill relating to the assessment of damages for the laying out or alteration of highways, 695, 709, 713, 904; enacted, etc., 921.
- Order relative to providing that the county tax and the expenditures for county purposes be excluded in determining the limit of indebtedness and the rate of taxation in, 193; report (H.) reference to next General Court, 742; accepted, 755; acceptance reconsidered, 766; accepted, 894
- Order (H.) relative to providing that in, on the petition of the owner of an estate abutting on a street, the superintendent of streets for, may grade and macadamize or pave or otherwise surface such street, or a part thereof specified in the petition, as he may deem proper or as the board of aldermen may provide, the expense of the same to be paid from the proceeds of loans such as are provided for in section 1 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, and be repaid to said city as the assessable cost of constructing streets is to be paid under the provisions of the said chapter, 183; report reference to next General Court, 811; accepted, 821.
- Order (H.) relative to providing that no public way shall be laid out, altered, widened or discontinued in, without the approval of the board of survey and the mayor of said city, 199; report inexpedient, accepted, 821.
- Order (H.) relative to consolidating the board of street commissioners with the board of survey of, and of giving such consolidated department the powers now held by the board of street commissioners, and such other powers as the city council may determine, 199; report inexpedient, 811; accepted, 822.
- Order (H.) relative to vesting the construction of the public parks for, in one of the regular departments of said city, the work to be laid out by the board of park commissioners, with the approval of the mayor; said board also to have the power to purchase land for park purposes, with the approval of the mayor; the said parks as completed to be placed in charge of one of the regular departments of said city, 199; report inexpedient, 341; accepted, 352; another report (H.) inexpedient, 575; accepted, 591.
- Order (H.) relative to enabling, or the sinking fund commissioners thereof, to cancel and extinguish the obligations of the city now or hereafter held by said commissioners, 208; report (H.) reference to next General Court, 742; accepted, 755; acceptance reconsidered, 766; accepted, 894.
- Order (H.) relative to establishing the office of registrar of births, marriages and deaths in, and of making such amendments to chapter 32 of the Public Statutes relative to the registry and return of births, marriages and deaths as may be made necessary by the establishment of said office, 208.

- Boston, city of, Bill concerning the registrar of, 557, 577, 588, 636; new draft (H.), 717, 725, 732; enacted, etc, 759.**
- Petition (H.) of Henry S. Worrall that members of the Boston fire department who were injured in the discharge of their duty and retired from the force before the taking effect of the present law relating to pensions may be enabled to receive pensions, 214.**
- Order relative to amending chapter 201 of the Acts of the year 1868, relating to the blasting of rocks in, so as to provide that said city may by ordinance designate some officer or person in the employ of said city to issue licenses for blasting rocks or other substances within three hundred feet of a public place or highway, on such terms and conditions as said city may by ordinance prescribe, and so as to provide a penalty by a fine against any person who shall violate the terms of the act or any conditions or terms contained in any license which may be issued under the provisions of said act, 238.**
- Bill relative to the blasting of rocks in, 507, 522, 536, 631; enacted, 688; laid before Governor, 699.**
- Petition (H) of the mayor of, for authority to take a part of the old cemetery on Walter Street near Weld Street in the West Roxbury district for street purposes, 253.**
- Bill to authorize the widening of Walter Street in, and the taking of a part of a private burial ground therefor, 470, 486, 496, 630; enacted, 688; laid before Governor, 699.**
- Petition (H.) of the mayor of, for the passage of an act to authorize, to indemnify citizens for any loss or damage they may sustain while assisting a police officer in the performance of police duty, 465, 516; report reference to next General Court, 634; accepted, 648.**
- Petition of John H. Lee, acting mayor of, that said city may be authorized to protect and preserve the purity of the waters of Sudbury River by widening, deepening and straightening the channel of said river and its tributaries in the towns of Westborough and Hopkinton, by making new channels for said river and its tributaries, and by constructing ditches in said towns, 697.**
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- Order (H.) relative to so amending section 10 of chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in, that a less sum than twenty-five per cent. of the estimated cost of laying out and constructing a street shall be required before the street commissioners of said city shall order the laying out and construction of such street, 182.**
- Order (H.) relative to amending chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891, relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in, by striking out the proviso contained in section 10, relating to the cost of the work done under said section, 183.**



- Boston, city of, Order (H.)** relative to considering what changes are necessary or expedient to be made in chapter 323 of the Acts of the year 1891 relating to the location, laying out and construction of highways in, and the powers and duties and manner of appointment of the different officers named therein, 208.
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- Bill (H. on leave)** relating to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in, 159.
- Order (H.)** relative to amending section 102 of chapter 374 of the Acts of the year 1885, being an act relating to the inspection and construction of buildings in, so that the material therein required for deafening floors shall be plaster at least one inch thick, or asbestos, magnesio-calcite or other fire-proof paper at least one-sixteenth of an inch thick, or other incombustible material satisfactory to the inspector, 165.
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- Bill (H.)** relating to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in, 888, 897, 905; enacted, etc., 921.
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- Petition (H.) of W. P. Cherrington** for such changes in the laws as will more clearly define and limit the powers and duties of the board of police commissioners of, 160; report reference to next General Court, 498; accepted, 514.
- Order** relative to amending chapter 178 of the Acts of the year 1887, being an act to provide for pensioning members of the Boston police department, so as to provide: (1) For the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the police department of, who has served twenty years or more; (2) For the retirement on an annual pension of any member of the police department of said city who has been permanently injured while in discharge of his duties; (3) For the retirement or an annual pension of any member of the police department of said city who shall have reached the age of sixty years; and (4) For the payment of such persons from a police pension fund, supplied by annual appropriation of, 139.

- Boston, city of, Bill relating to pensioning members of the police department of, 748, 762, 773, 781 ; enacted, etc., 863.
- Boston, city of, Wildey Savings Bank in. See "Wildey Savings Bank."
- Boston and Albany Railroad Company. See "Pittsfield, City of."
- Petition (H.) of the directors of, for authority to discontinue the crossing of St. Mary's Street in Brookline, 100.
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- Petition (H.) of the mayor of the city of Pittsfield, with the assent of, for legislation necessary to secure the abolition of a grade crossing in said city, 404.
- Bill (H ) to authorize the city of Pittsfield to provide for the abolition of a grade crossing, 518, 536, 545 ; enacted, 608 ; laid before Governor, 618.
- Boston and Maine Railroad Company, Petition of C. H. Baker that, be compelled to provide suitable depot accommodations for its patrons in the city of Lynn, 34.
- Bill to compel, to furnish suitable depot accommodations at Lynn, 333, 343, 405, 331 ; referred to next General Court, 893.
- Petition (H.) of, that the provisions of section 2 of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1891 shall apply to shares issued under chapter 185 of the Acts of the year 1890, 46.
- Bill (H ) to extend the operation of section 2 of chapter 308 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act to authorize, to acquire by purchase the road, franchises and property of certain railroad corporations, 868, 886 ; title changed to "Bill relating to shares of, subject to the lien of a certain mortgage of the Eastern Railroad Company," 891 ; enacted, etc., 915.
- Petition (H.) of John F. Fitzgerald and others that the grade crossings of, on Causeway Street and Travers Street may be abolished, 198 ; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 449 ; accepted, 469.
- Boston and Providence Railroad. See "Old Colony Railroad Company."
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- Boston and Revere Electric Street Railway Company, Petition of, for authority to extend and operate its tracks in the town of Winthrop, 281, 292.
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- Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company. See "Cape Cod Canal."
- Boston Emergency Hospital, Petition (H.) of, for an appropriation from the treasury of the Commonwealth, or that the city of Boston may be authorized to make an annual appropriation to said hospital, 162 ; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 329 ; accepted, 339.
- Boston Gas Company. See "Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, Board of."

- Boston Harbor**, Bill to protect the shores and beaches of (on the annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners), 421, 441, 454; enacted, 870; laid before Governor, 882.
- Boston Harbor**, pilot commissioners for, Order (H.) relative to amending chapter 70 of the Public Statutes, relating to the pilot commissioners for the harbor of Boston, so as to remove from the Boston Marine Society the nomination of said commissioners and place the appointment of the same in some other authority, or abolishing the present commission and establishing a new one; and also providing for the compensation and duties of said commissioners, 232; remonstrances, 349, 369; report no legislation necessary, 660, 676; accepted, 701.
- Report of the joint special committee appointed by the General Court of the year 1891 to consider the subject of changing, consolidating or abolishing the various State commissions, 470; report no legislation necessary on so much thereof as relates to the pilot commissioners, 660, 676; accepted, 701.
- Boston Industrial Temporary Home**, Petition (H.) of Thomas D. Roberts for the consolidation of, and the Appleton Temporary Home, 162.
- Bill (H.) providing for a consolidation of, and the Appleton Temporary Home, 423, 441, 455; enacted, etc., 510.
- Boston Rubber Shoe Company**, Petition (H.) of, for authority to increase its capital stock, 35.
- Bill (H.) to authorize, to increase its capital stock, 213, 228, 234; enacted, etc., 284.
- Boston Seamen's Friend Society**, Petition (H.) of the managers of, for leave to hold additional property, 485.
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- Order relative to providing for the examination of returns of election officers in towns divided into voting precincts, and for the correction of errors discovered therein, 122.
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- Order relative to repealing chapter 328 of the Acts of the year 1891 relating to a uniform system of counting and canvassing votes, and such legislation as shall provide for a simple method or system of counting and canvassing votes, 122; report (H.) inexpedient, 853; accepted, 866.
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- Elections, Order (H.) relative to regarding the qualification and method of selecting precinct officers and returning boards at State and municipal, and all other matters relating to the duty of election officers and those having custody of ballots or subsequent counts or revisions, 131.
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- Order (H.) relative to providing that in, held under the Australian system in towns, the tellers shall be appointed by the selectmen instead of by the moderator, as now provided, 131; report (H.) reference to next General Court, 853; accepted, 866.
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- Order relative to authorizing the board of aldermen in any city to employ, through the city clerk, such clerical assistance as may be necessary to recount ballots cast in such city at any, whenever a recount is called for as provided by law, such recount to be under the supervision of the board of aldermen, a majority of the same being present, 140; report inexpedient, 776; accepted, 788.
- Petition (H.) of John M. Berry for more equal representation in, 145; report reference to next General Court, 769; accepted, 782.
- Petition of William H. Partridge and others for legislation which shall better define the basis upon which the percentage of the total vote cast by a political party shall be reckoned in determining whether such party has cast three per cent. of the total vote, 158; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 812; accepted, 822.
- Petition (H.) of P. O. Larkin and others that the day on which the State election is held be made a legal holiday, 161; report leave to withdraw, 721, 738, 764, 772 (yeas and nays), 773; accepted, 773.
- Order (H.) relative to providing that the board of registrars of voters in cities shall have the charge and control of all voting places, appointment of precinct officers and of all election machinery, 185; report (H.) inexpedient, 448; accepted, 468.
- Petition (H.) of W. H. Powers, by request of the Hazelwood and Clarendon Hill Citizens' Association, for legislation providing that persons within the voting rail at the time of closing the polls may be permitted to complete their act of voting; referred to next General Court, 377.
- Bill (H. on leave) to provide for precinct voting in the election of town officers, 424; report (H.) reference to next General Court, 651; accepted, 671.
- So much of the Governor's address as relates to election and ballot laws, 20.

- Elections, Bill to prevent corrupt practices in, and to provide for publicity of election expenses, 704, 756, 795, 813, 823 (yeas and nays), 834, 835, 889; enacted, etc., 921.
- Order (H.) relative to so amending the existing laws that any political party having cast not less than two per centum of the total vote cast for all the candidates for governor at the election preceding the annual election may have all its candidates printed upon the official ballot, 167.
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- Petition of the Prohibition State Central Committee that such amendment be made to the ballot laws as will provide that a party whose average vote for all State officers equals three per cent. of the average total vote cast shall have all the rights and privileges in making nominations that are now given to a party that casts three per cent. of the vote for governor, or else that a political party that has maintained a State organization for five successive years shall have all rights and privileges that are now given a party casting three per cent. of the vote for governor; referred to next General Court (yeas and nays), 817.
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- Employers' liability, Order (H.) relative to so amending chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, and acts in amendment thereof, as to allow a recovery by the widow, or next of kin, of an employee who, if he had survived, would have been entitled to recover in his own name, notwithstanding the fact that his death was not instantaneous, or that it ensued only after conscious suffering, 67.
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- Order relative to amending section 3 of chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, as amended by chapter 155 of the Acts of the year 1888, known as the Employers' Liability Act, so as to provide for longer time in which to give the notice of the time, place and cause of injury required by said acts, 110; report inexpedient, 492; accepted, 504.
- So much of the Governor's address as relates to an amendment of, act, 20; report (H.) no further legislation necessary, 717; accepted, 726.
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- English blood-hounds, Petition of George W. Glazier and others that the breed of dogs known as, may be exempt from the provisions of chapter 340 of the Acts of the year 1886 relating to the keeping of dogs known as blood-hounds, 31.
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- Epileptics, message from the Governor transmitting a report of a committee of experts of the Massachusetts Medical Society relative to the establishment by the Commonwealth of an institution for, said institution to be in the form of cottage hospitals, 111; report reference to next General Court, 383; accepted, 397.
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- Petition of the county commissioners of, that the compensation of said officials may be increased, 42.
- Bill to establish the salaries of the county commissioners for, 470, 593, 619, 626, 777, 787; enacted, 833; laid before Governor, 840.
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- Fall River, city of, Petition (H.) of the mayor of, that said city may be authorized to borrow \$150,000 for highways, paving, sewers and school-houses, 758.
- Bill (H.) authorizing, to borrow money for street improvements, sewers and the erection of school-houses beyond the limit fixed by law, 812, 820, 825; enacted, 870; laid before Governor, 883.
- Fall River Real Estate Association, Petition of Arnold B. Sanford and others for incorporation as, 136.
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- Petition (H.) of Jonathan H. Jones and others for legislation for the better protection of wild fowl on their feeding ground in Waquoit Bay in, 177; petition in aid, 240; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 448; accepted, 468.
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Bill (H. substituted) to enable certain cities to purchase and distribute, for lighting purposes; indefinitely postponed (yeas and nays), 926.

Order relative to amending section 2 of chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, being an act empowering municipalities to manufacture and distribute, and electricity, so as to provide that cities may engage in the manufacture, distribution and sale of, by a two-

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- Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, Order that, make a special report to the Legislature, within ten days from the passage of this order, as follows:** 1. As to the nature and extent of the business relations between the Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, South Boston and Bay State gas companies of Massachusetts and the Bay State gas companies of New Jersey and Delaware. 2. As to the cost of the manufacture of gas by the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts. 3. As to the actual cash cost for land, buildings and machinery and pipes of the plant of the Bay State Gas Company of Massachusetts, which is assessed by the city of Boston at \$630,000, and upon which \$5,000,000 of stocks and bonds have been issued, etc., 461, 474, 767, 780, 793; point of order, ruling, 808; order laid aside, 809.
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- Gas companies, Order (H.) relative to imposing a penalty upon, of \$1,000 for each violation of the provisions of section 7 of chapter 314 of the Acts of the year 1885 requiring, to make returns to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, 187; report (H.) inexpedient, 551; accepted, 568.**
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Orleans Cemetery Association, Petition (H.) of John Kenrick and others for an act of incorporation as, 35; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 289; accepted, 301.

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